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MARGINAL COLUMN

By GEORGE LEONOV

THE Stalin affair still offers almost unlimited ramifications. So-called experts on Soviet affairs, publicists and commentators of every hue have felt, by the very nature of their trade, duty-bound to comment on this confusing but obviously important historical development rather sooner than they felt conscience-bound to understand it, and the result has been a veritable cacophony of reasoning. In this maze of tangled interpretations, commentators often contradicted themselves in their anxiety to keep up with the relentless ticker-tape of the journalistic stock market whose quotations soared from "no real change" to "veritable counter-revolution," and whose uninhibited predictions allowed both for the possibility that Lenin's embalmed corpse would be deprived of the cheerless companionship of Stalin's mummy and for the eventual canonization of Trotsky's unpreserved remains.

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THE taciturnity of Soviet Communist Party leaders on the subject has lent rumour wings, of course. Mr. Khrushchev's speech to the party congress a month ago, which is said to have listed Stalin's sins in detail, though still unpublished has become as famous as the Unknown Soldier. Perhaps it is just as well to remember that most accounts of Mr. Khrushchev's speech are, like an inverted pyramid, delicately balanced on a pinpoint of fact and may topple in any direction. It may also help to recall that the present Central Committee's emphasis on "collective leadership" and condemnation of Beria at least by implication renounced the "personality cult" almost immediately after Stalin's death, while gradual attempts to soft-pedal idolisation of the dead dictator became perceptible shortly after his funeral.

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IF it has taken so long for the party to denounce Stalin the Man, it is perhaps because Communism cannot afford to dispense with Stalin the Marxist for fear of undermining some of the foundation pillars of the Communist doctrine to which he seems to have made considerable theoretical contributions for all his arrogance and vanity. Among other things, it is Stalin who is credited with the theory that it was possible to build a socialist society in a single country, and with the basis on which the nationality question — with the tragic exception of the Jewish nationality — was solved in the Soviet Union. The period of three years which was allowed to elapse before the party decided to launch a frontal attack to reduce Stalin's self-canonized figure to mortal proportions is not unusually long, and could be attributed to the general principle by which most states keep their government archives padlocked from public view for arbitrarily set periods, sometimes as much as half a century, and in many cases long after there are valid reasons to withhold their publication.

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THE party's decision to explode the Stalin myth in the midst of the very generation taught to venerate him obviously contained the danger of backfire, and did not lack boldness. Marshal Bulganin and Mr. Khrushchev must be fully aware that the Russian mind is quite capable of questioning the role played by the present leadership, including themselves, under Josef Stalin. What prompted the leadership to break the "Stalin story" at this time is not clear, for it is conceivable that the party could gradually have moved away from the undesirable aspects of Stalinism without washing its dirty linen in public. Only strong pressure from within the party itself to clear the atmosphere, and perhaps the real threat of serious dissention, can explain the drastic decision at a time when Soviet prestige seemed to be on the upgrade.

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IN this connection it would not be surprising if there were some connection between this determined attack on the "Cult of Personality" when there is no such "personality" on the horizon, and the recent incident involving Foreign Minister Molotov, who a few months ago publicly recanted his view that no more than the "basis of socialism" has been built in the Soviet Union. It is just possible that Mr. Molotov was among the important members of the Communist Party who were known to maintain that no socialist society could countenance the arbitrary decisions taken somewhere at top government level, who were firm advocates of democratisation of party procedure and resentful of the dictatorial rule of the past two decades. None of these men, who inwardly rebelled against this arbitrariness, seem to have identified it with the name of Stalin, and the impression created was that the responsibility lay with an unidentified dictatorial clique within the Central Committee. If, after Stalin's death, this group insisted on dissassociating itself from earlier decisions, it might explain both the recantation of an "Old Guard" Bolshevik like Mr. Molotov and the current revelations.

Jerusalem, March 29.

Iceland Votes For Withdrawal Of NATO Troops

REYKJAVIK, Wednesday (Reuter). — The Iceland Parliament today passed a resolution calling for the withdrawal of NATO troops. American servicemen are stationed at an air base at Reykjavik.

The resolution called for a revision of the 1951 treaty permitting the stationing of foreign troops in Iceland. The action followed the resignation of Premier Olafur Thors yesterday after a split in the Cabinet on this issue.

The Progressive Party left the Government which it had formed with the Premier's Independence Party, and today voted for the Parliamentary resolution with the Social Democrats, the left-wing isolationist National Defence Party, and the Communists.

The present Government will remain in office as a caretaker Cabinet until June.

Meanwhile, in Paris, the Supreme Allied Commander in Europe, Gen. Alfred M. Gruenther, said that NATO was "working on a shoestring." In a speech to SHAPE correspondents, he said it was not possible at present from the military viewpoint to reduce the term of military service in the West.

The mass methods of World War II were inadequate, but the West still needed mobile forces of smaller formations which could disperse quickly and create a shield against aggression. "We are holding Europe with less men than we had in 1944 and 1945," he added.

The General said the West could explain why the Soviet Union has 170 divisions, its allies 75 divisions, and why the Soviet Union had 20,000 operational aircraft, most of them jets. But the West could not explain why the Soviet Union had 400 submarines. "The submarine is a hot war weapon. Last year the Soviet Union built more submarines than any nation in the free world. SHAPE must continue to remind political authorities that Soviet military power is increasing," he said.

Syria Wants Details Of U.S. Resolution

UNITED NATIONS, Wednesday.—Syria told the U.N. Security Council today that Arab states would welcome a U.N. investigation of the Middle East situation but emphasized that every point of the Council's intention must be clarified in advance.

The Syrian Ambassador, Ahmed Shukeiri, told the Council, "We welcome a survey of the extent of compliance with the Armistice Agreements and the resolutions of the Security Council passed last year. We are not in the wrong and we do not fear any investigation, particularly when the investigation is carried out by our Secretary-General."

But he stipulated that the U.S. must clarify just what it plans to have Mr. Dag Hammarskjold investigate and how far his survey will go into political, economic and financial aspects of the Israel-Arab problem.

Syria 'Sensitive'

Shukeiri added: "We are justified to be exceedingly sensitive in our reaction to international documents. We should not forget that the problem of Palestine is the outcome of ambiguous declarations and obscure instruments."

Earlier, the U.S. declared there were no hidden meanings behind its proposal that Mr. Hammarskjold be asked to undertake a survey of the tense Middle East.

Mr. Henry Cabot Lodge, the U.S. representative, said the proposal sought:

Firstly, prompt action in the face of a "gravely worsening situation," and

Secondly, to indicate certain steps which the Secretary-General might take to carry out the provisions of the Armistice Agreements.

"No one will deny that unless the Armistice Agreements can be effectively carried out a threat to the peace may result," said Mr. Lodge.

Vote Next Tuesday

Mr. Lodge said he trusted the Council would be able to vote on Tuesday next.

Noting "certain remarks" made to him since the last Council meeting, Mr. Lodge said the U.S. draft had seemed to be "so simple and clear that there could be no misunderstanding as to our intention."

It was agreed on Monday that there would be no vote today on the resolution, and the Council is expected to adjourn till next Tuesday, after the Easter holidays.

President Sir Pierson Dixon of Britain opened the session by inviting representatives of Israel, Egypt, Syria, Lebanon and Jordan to take seats at the conference table. The Israel Ambassador, Mr. Abba Eban, was in Washington to confer with Secretary of State Dulles about Israel's arms request and Israel was represented here by Mr. Arthur Liveran, First Secretary of the Israel U.N. delegation.

(Reuter, UP)

Intense Diplomatic Activity in Cairo

Col. Salah Gohar, Director of the Palestine Affairs Department of the Egyptian War Ministry, left Cairo by air last night for U.N. Headquarters to advise the Egyptian delegation during the Security Council debate on the Arab-Israel border tension.

The Syrian Government, meanwhile, was reported to be sending a military observer to attend the Council debate. The decision was taken, it was said, because of the proviso in the U.S. draft resolution for the withdrawal of both Arab and Israel forces from the armistice lines.

The official Government spokesman in Damascus last night explained that under this action, only the Syrians would be forced to withdraw, because the Israel troops would "hide themselves in the well-fortified Israel settlements," posing as civilians and thereby gaining an "unfair strategic advantage."

Nasser Sees Kisselev

In Cairo, there was much diplomatic activity in connection with the U.N. Council debate. Premier Abdul Nasser conferred with the Soviet Ambassador, Mr. Evgeny Kisselev, while the American Ambassador, Mr. Henry Byroade, met with Foreign Minister Mahmoud Fawzi. Mr. Byroade also saw the British Ambassador, Sir Humphrey Trevelyan, and was scheduled to speak to other Western and Arab diplomats last night.

Reports from Paris said the Egyptian Ambassador, Kamal e-Din Nabi, yesterday called on Premier Guy Mollet at his own request. The Prime Minister's Office and the Egyptian Embassy declined to reveal what was discussed at the interview.

(Reuter, NEARS)

USSR Likely To Accept Ike's 'Open Skies'

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — Russia has included in her new world disarmament plan a provision for the possible acceptance of President Eisenhower's "open skies" scheme to minimise the risk of surprise attacks, an authoritative source said tonight.

This is the first time that the Soviet Union has acknowledged the President's aerial inspection project in a formal document, the source added. Western delegates to the five-nation disarmament talks today closely questioned Mr. Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, about the new plan he tabled yesterday.

American sources said the Soviet provision for the President's scheme — first put at last year's Geneva "summit" conference — contained many reservations. But they were still optimistic about the prospects of the talks here.

No Decision in Paris

In Paris, an important meeting of Cabinet Ministers presided over by Premier Guy Mollet, failed to agree about whether France should abandon her right to make atom bombs. Another meeting on the subject will be held tomorrow. The issue threatens to split France as did the question of renouncing her military sovereignty in favour of a European army two years ago.

In his Government programme the Premier included an undertaking that France would join a six-nation supra-national body to be called Euratom which would pool the atomic resources of the six nations and would undertake to make atom energy for peaceful purposes only.

Foreign Minister Christian Pineau, Minister of State Mendes-France, Defence Minister Bourges-Maunoury and Minister of State Jacques Chadan Delmas, a leading Gaullist, are strongly opposed to the Euratom proposal because "France cannot stay a big power without the atom bomb."

Bulganin Hails Accord on Morocco

MOSCOW, Wednesday (Reuter). — Prime Minister Marshal Nikolai Bulganin has sent a telegram to the French Prime Minister, M. Guy Mollet, congratulating him on the signature on March 2 of the joint Franco-Moroccan declaration of independence for Morocco, TASS said today.

President Klimenti Voroshilov has sent a telegram of congratulation to the Sultan of Morocco.

French Navy Joins Algeria Offensive

ALGIERS, Wednesday (Reuter). — Naval commandos and Foreign Legionaires who landed on the Algerian coast last night in the first combined operation against the rebels, were today scouring the wooded foothills of the Cendesmendou range for rebel food and arms dumps.

Fourteen rebels were killed in the operation, which introduced new tactics into France's "killing drive" against Algeria's 15,000 well-armed rebels. Rebel dead throughout Algeria in the past 48 hours totalled 59.

The commando operation was expected to be the first of many. The rebels control several stretches of isolated coast which can best be attacked from the sea. Premier Guy Mollet has announced that the French navy will operate from Algerian ports in order to back up the drive to exterminate the rebels.

Above Tiemcen in the extreme west of Algeria, French forces were using their latest and most effective anti-rebel weapon, helicopter-borne commandos, against a band of about 100 rebels who attacked a French patrol. Rebel losses were believed to be high, but no figures were yet known.

In Algiers, the encouragement among Europeans caused by the all-out anti-rebel drive was somewhat offset by the lack of an announcement from Paris that reservists were to be recalled to the colours to provide reinforcements for Algeria. Yesterday's meeting of the French Council of Ministers had been widely expected to take a decision on recalling reservists.

Reports from Tunis today said the vast anti-rebel operation in the Matmata mountains in the extreme south of Tunisia had cost rebel tribesmen 250 dead so far. About 700 rebels had been surrounded by over 3,500 French troops supported by tanks, artillery and aircraft. The rebels, split up by the attack, were now reportedly trying to regroup.

5 Israelis Expected Back Today in Swap with Syria

Army Returns 41 Syrians

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Five Israelis are to be returned by the Syrian authorities this morning. All have been prisoners for more than a year, throughout which fruitless attempts were made to secure their release.

Now Israel and Syria are to exchange prisoners at 11 a.m. at B'not Ya'acov bridge on the border, south of Lake Hula. Israel will return a total of 41 men. The five Israelis due to be returned are Segen Meir Moses, Samal Meir Ya'acobi, Samal Ya'acov Lind, Samal Gad Kastelanetz and Mr. Shlomo Ben-Yehuda.

The first four were taken prisoner in Syrian territory on December 8, 1954. M. Ben-Yehuda, of Rosh Pina, was kidnapped by Syrians on August 15, 1954, while engaged in spraying swamps in the Hula region against malaria-carrying mosquitoes.

Israel will return 35 Syrian soldiers, including one officer and a cadet, and six infiltrators who have completed their prison terms.

The 35 were captured in two operations carried out by the Israel Defence Forces. Five were taken prisoner on October 22, 1955, four days after Syrians kidnapped Private Yehoshua Migovsky, near Kibbutz Gonen.

Thirty Syrian soldiers were seized in the action on December 12 when Israel forces cleared newly-placed gun positions on the east banks of Lake Kinneret that were threatening fishermen on the Lake.

The exchange is taking place in accordance with the Security Council resolution of January 19, which was passed in connection with the December 12 operation. Paragraph VIII of that resolution called on Syria and Israel to arrange with Maj.-Gen. E. L. M. Burns, Chief of Staff of the Truce Supervision Organization, an immediate exchange of all military prisoners.

Private Migovsky is not among those to be returned. The Syrian authorities disclaim any knowledge of his whereabouts. During the protracted negotiations leading up to the exchange, Israel made repeated representations regarding the soldier, and presented information in her possession regarding him, but the Syrians insist that he is not in their hands.

Despite the fact that the Security Council resolution called for the exchange of all military prisoners, the two sides agreed to exchange civilians as well. Thus Mr. Ben Yehuda is returning in exchange for the Syrian infiltrators.

The exchange agreement received Government approval at its meeting in Jerusalem on Sunday.

Several more Israelis, in addi-

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Ghazi May Quit In Syrian Gov't Crisis

Premier Said el Ghazi of Syria formally notified President Shukri el Kuwatly on the latter's return from Egypt earlier in the week of his intention to resign. He left it to the President to act on his decision but there has been no further action to date, according to NEABS yesterday.

The Syrian Cabinet crisis became more acute with the resignation yesterday of Justice Minister Muneir Ajlani, who quit because he could "not fulfil his duties under the present circumstances."

Discontent among the various political factions within the Government had worsened recently. Trouble has been brewing within the Government ever since President Kuwatly two months ago announced the decision to establish an emergency "national political front" in which all political parties and factions would sink their differences temporarily in order to face the "Israel danger." Repeated negotiations to bring this about have failed completely.

Workers Strike

More than 5,000 workers of the Iraq Petroleum Company in Syria have gone on strike, halting the flow of oil through the two pipelines crossing Syria to Tripoli in the Lebanon and the Syrian port of Banyas, NEARS reported yesterday.

Meanwhile, a resolution calling for betterment of the conditions of Arab workers and freedom for trade unions in all Arab countries, was adopted by the first All-Arab Trade Union Congress which was concluded in Damascus.

13 Britons Fired From Arab Legion

A Royal decree issued in Amman on Tuesday night terminated the services of 13 British officers in the Arab Legion holding the rank of brigadiers, colonels and majors, "El Jihad," the Old City paper, reported yesterday.

The former Jordan Defence Minister, Farhan Shubeilat, has been appointed as the first Minister to Bonn, "Falastin" reported yesterday.

Other changes in Jordan's foreign service include the appointment of the Director-General of the Foreign Ministry Baha e-Din Toukan as Ambassador in London, Dr. Yousef Heickal's transfer from London to Paris and the recall of Ihsan Hashem from Paris to act as Director-General of the Foreign Ministry.

EGYPTIANS FIRE ON ISRAEL POSITION

Egyptian forces twice opened machinegun and mortar fire yesterday morning on an Israel position in the vicinity of Nitzana, the army spokesman announced last night. The Israel position returned the fire. There were no Israel casualties.

A Cairo Radio report last night claimed that the "engagement" lasted three hours and that the Israel forces had not yet completed a count of their dead.

Jordan River Water Tunnel Viewed by Tahal Workers

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAZARETH, Wednesday. — About 2,000 Tahal workers filed through the Eilabun tunnel today—nearly a kilometre long and cut through a hill bordering on the Beit Natufa valley—a part of the future Negev irrigation plan. The visitors also came to hear Mr. S. Blass, head of Tahal, address them on this occasion.

The tunnel, begun in January, 1955 is now complete. A miniature railway line used for the construction, runs through the tunnel now but work will start shortly on the concrete pipe, two-and-a-half metres in diameter, which will be laid in the tunnel and through which the water will flow.

Some 16,000 workdays and IL500,000 went into the construction of the tunnel, which starts in the middle of Eilabun village. It was built to eliminate the need to raise the Jordan waters over the hills that surround Beit Netufa valley, part of which will ultimately serve as storage reservoir for the Jordan waters on their way to the Negev.

From a grandstand perched on the hilltop, the Tahal workers, many of them with their families, heard addresses by the Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Kadish Looz, and Mr. Simha Blass, Government advisor on water problems. Good wishes were also delivered by the Orthodox priest of Eilabun. Arab villagers of Eilabun, some of them on horseback, joined the audience which was brought from all over the country in scores of vehicles, including over a dozen buses. Despite drizzling rain, there was a gala atmosphere resembling a derby day or cup final.

Among those present were the Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Zur, Mr. Y. Duvdevani, General Secretary of Mekorot, and Mr. A. Wiener, Tahal chief engineer.

Water to Negev

"In a few years' time, water from the Jordan in the North will flow to abundant and thirsting land in the Negev," Mr. Blass declared.

Scepticism, obstacles placed in the way of the plan by the Mandatory authorities, and budgetary difficulties were among the hurdles which had to be overcome, he said. Israel had never been an irrigated country, and new ways had to be found. But it was only with the establishment of the State that it became possible to carry out the 142-kilometres irrigation project.

The Jordan River was a vital artery for the country. With most of the Jordan channel already dug and a small part concreted its water will flow in a channel into the tunnel, and then southwards into the Beit Netufa valley, from where it will run through giant pipes and through two further tunnels yet to be constructed.

The main line will end at Plugot in the South, and then branch out to irrigate the Negev lands. It will be boosted by a network of reservoirs collecting local floodwaters.

Not Only Planning

Mr. Blass declared that he had intended at this celebration to announce his resignation, because of the decision to wind up the Tahal Works Department and to transfer it to Mekorot. He believed the work of Mekorot to be of great merit, and Histadrut participation in it essential, but he did not think that Mekorot should have sole control of Israel's water projects.

If Tahal were to be a planning agency only, the work would suffer and the best water engineers would not remain with it. In its Works Department, Tahal had in no way competed with Mekorot, but entered new fields, such as the construction of reservoirs. Mr. Blass noted that the Prime Minister had now undertaken to review the situation, and he had accordingly promised to postpone his resignation.

"We may have to spill blood for the water," Mr. Looz declared, "and though we strive for peace, we are firmly prepared to fight for our water if necessary." He described the digging of the tunnel as "a great event" and paid tribute to Mr. Blass.

Father el Hurl Markos Muellem of Eilabun conveyed greetings to the Government and Tahal. "I am happy that my village was permitted to participate in the work," he declared in Arabic, "and I hope that it will also share in the irrigation waters."

Stalin Did 'Serious Harm' To Soviet Cause, 'Pravda' Says

MOSCOW, Wednesday. — Two national newspapers, "Pravda" and "Red Star," today joined the great Communist attack on Stalin's "Cult of Personality," while a third, the local "Moskovskaya Pravda," called for a more intensive campaign to explain criticism of the dead leader.

"Pravda," the Communist Party paper, blamed Stalin for establishing a total one-man dictatorship. It said that while he undoubtedly rendered great services, especially to the party and the international labour movement in the years after Lenin's death, he did "serious harm to the cause" by supporting and encouraging his own glorification.

(Observers in Moscow regarded the "Pravda" article as the opening shot in a vast public propaganda campaign to destroy the illusion of Stalin as the architect and genius of the Soviet state. This was the first time the personal qualities of Stalin came under attack in print. The attack was seen as an indication that the unmasking of Stalin was now moving closer to more sensitive areas hitherto not discussed publicly.)

"Pravda's" leading article discussed Stalin's record in a review of the resolution in favour of collective leadership passed by the Communist Party Congress.

Lacked Modesty

It said that Stalin, "lacking personal modesty, did not cut short these glorifications and praises addressed to him. He supported and encouraged them in every way." His "disregard of the standards of party life" and his "frequent personal decisions" led to distortion of party democracy, "violation of revolutionary law and unjustified repressions."

The exposure of the "Beria gang" by the party after Stalin's death had made it possible to restore Leninist principles and led to an "unprecedented upsurge of activity." There were still "quite a few lickspittles and sycophants" to be eliminated, it was added.

The article in the Defence Ministry organ, "Red Star," by Col. V. Yarovikov, answering readers' questions, did not name Stalin, but said the cult of personality had fettered the development of science, including Soviet military science. Vital creative thoughts found no place in print, and "the idea that an outstanding hero and miracle worker could run the whole country inevitably gave rise among the masses to a spirit of passivity and lack of confidence in their creative powers."

The "Moskovskaya Pravda," today gave a picture of how party agitators have been mobilized to explain the down-grading of Stalin. It said that more than 1,000 propagandists in one district alone attended a one-day seminar organized by the local party committee to study the results of the 20th Party Congress.

(Reuter, UP)

Anglo-Soviet Amity Vital—Malenkov

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — Mr. Georgi Malenkov saw democracy in action in the Commons here today and told a gathering of members of parliament that friendship between Britain and the Soviet Union was the key to world peace.

The Soviet Minister for Electric Power Stations sat in the distinguished strangers gallery for 20 minutes listening to Members question the Government about a variety of subjects, mainly motoring and transport. Earlier, he had lunch in the Commons as guest of the Labour Party's Anglo-Russian Committee, and told members, "We desire friendship between our country and Britain and we believe this is the basis of peace."

He added — presumably meaning America — that Russia, however, did not want to drive a wedge between Britain and any other country.

Mr. Malenkov laughed heartily when Mr. Julius Silverman, Chairman at the lunch, said to him, "We do not approve of all your political methods any more than we expect you to approve of all ours. You shatter your political idols — we bury them in the House of Lords."

Britain Not Behind

Speaking in the House of Lords last night, Lord Reading, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, said Soviet Russia will not find the British Government "hanging back in any degree" if a real improvement in international relations becomes possible.

He was replying to a debate on the international situation in which peers had criticised the visit to Britain next month of the Soviet leaders, Marshal Bulganin and Mr. Nikita Khrushchev.

Lord Reading said the visit had come at a most opportune moment unforeseen at the time the Prime Minister issued his invitation. It was evident a change was going on in Russia today, he added, whether it was called a change of heart, of outlook or, as he preferred to call it, a change of position.

Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd said today that 14 security guards would be included in the Soviet delegation coming to Britain next month with Marshal Bulganin and Mr. Khrushchev. He told the Commons it was normal practice to allow visiting delegations to include such members as they wanted. He did not say whether the guards would be armed.

Arabs Must Recognize Israel, Reuther Says

NEW YORK, Wednesday (UP). — The American labour leader, Mr. Walter P. Reuther, said today that peace in the Middle East depends upon Arab recognition of Israel's right to exist.

"How can you negotiate peace with your neighbour if you don't recognize his right to be?" the President of the United Automobile, Aircraft and Agricultural Implement Workers of America (UAW) asked at a news conference.

Mr. Reuther plans to leave New York on April 2 for a 12-day visit to India.

"I believe the answer to the problems of the Middle East, as in most of the world, must be found in the area of struggle for economic, social and political justice. The dictators of the Arab countries will not permit free labour to grow," he said.

He suggested that the U.S. Government should tell the Arab governments that they must permit economic freedom in order to receive American help. Unless Arab countries allow the economic and social struggle to go on, there will be "one palace revolution after another. The price of political blackmail gets higher and higher in that game. In the Middle East we are fighting a power game and no one can win that struggle."

He described Israel as "an historical" fact, saying there could be no solution in the Middle East without a realisation of that fact.

NO WAR IN M.-E., CAFFERY SAYS

NEW YORK, Wednesday (INA). — Mr. Jefferson Caffery, former U.S. Ambassador to Egypt, told reporters yesterday on his arrival from Rome that he did not believe that war between Israel and the Arab states was inevitable.

He said that Premier Abdul Nasser is irrevocably pledged to improve the living standard of the Egyptian peasants, and that expenditures necessary for war would wipe out the opportunity to improve Egyptian agriculture and cause the fall of the Egyptian Government.

British Gov't Plans Malta Integration

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — The Government announced today in the Commons that it is going ahead with legislation to integrate Malta with Britain.

Sir Anthony Eden said that legislation would give effect to recommendations of a British all-party round table conference on Malta. One of these is that Malta should send three representatives to the Commons.

The Prime Minister said the part of the bill relating to Maltese representation in Parliament would be brought into operation "only if and when the Maltese people have shown their desire for it in a general election following a dissolution of the Maltese General Assembly."

Replying to questions, Sir Anthony said the Government intended to pass the bill through all its stages before a general election takes place in Malta.

Premier Dom Mintoff of Malta tonight hailed the Government's "momentous decision" to integrate Malta, as representing the best solution of the Mediterranean island's "problem in the great tradition of British freedom."

'Illegal Arrests' Hit By E. German Premier

BERLIN, Wednesday. — The Premier of East Germany, Otto Grotewohl, today attacked despotism in state organs, accused the Justice Department of making illegal arrests, and said the nation's collective leadership was to be strengthened.

In a four-hour speech to the East German Communist Party conference, Grotewohl said the Chief Prosecutor, Dr. Ernst Melsheimer, had been ordered to "report on his methods" to the Cabinet. He complained that local justice authorities were still taking action not based on law.

He cited as examples that people at Havelberg, near Berlin, had been refused potato deliveries unless they helped in the potato harvest. At another place people had been fined if they declined to work special "reconstruction shifts."

In future the Chief Prosecutor's office must see that strictly legal methods were carried out, he said.

PINEAU TO VISIT U.S. IN JUNE

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (INA). — Foreign Minister Christian Pineau of France is preparing to visit here in June to discuss with President Eisenhower and Secretary of State Dulles the question of the Israel-Arab conflict and other problems in which France has an interest, according to French Embassy sources here.

USSR to Build Nuclear Laboratory in Egypt

NEW YORK, Wednesday (INA). — Four Russian experts will arrive in Egypt soon to direct the establishment of a nuclear laboratory, Associated Press reported today from Cairo, quoting Mr. N. I. Milnikov, head of a Soviet technical mission visiting the Arab states.

He also said that Russia has concluded an agreement to build grain stores, oil tanks, and a cement factory in Syria.

Libya Rejects Soviet Economic Aid Offer

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (UP). — Libya has turned down a Russian offer of economic aid, a Libyan Embassy spokesman said today. He said the decision was made known to members of the Libyan Parliament by Premier Mustafa ben Halim at a closed session.

Russia recently offered technical assistance and loans but Libya did not say immediately whether she would accept the Soviet aid. The United States has been supplying Libya with economic help since she attained her independence in 1951.

SYRIANS, SAUDIANS TRAIN IN EGYPT

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (INA). — Syrians and Saudi Arabians are learning the use of new Soviet weapons in Egypt, according to the military agreement between the three countries, reports received here quoted Damascus Radio, as announcing.

MAY DAY DEVOTED TO SETTLEMENT WORK

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — First of May celebrations will be on a local scale only this year. Assemblies will be held after working hours on April 30, and the international workers' holiday itself will be devoted to helping border villages and other settlements, according to a unanimous decision taken tonight by the Central Committee of the Histadrut.

Accord on $7m. U.S. Aid to Jordan

An agreement on the distribution of more than $7m. U.S. aid to Jordan was reached in Amman last night, NEARS reported.

A total of $2.5m. will go towards technical aid, a similar sum to a road-building programme, and $1.2m. for soil conservation projects.

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British Protest Cairo's Propaganda to E. Africa

CAIRO, Wednesday (Reuter). — The British Embassy here has taken up with the Egyptian Government at various levels the question of Egyptian anti-British broadcasts in Swahili to East Africa, an Embassy spokesman said last night.

Repeated representations had been made in the last 10 days. The British Ambassador, Sir Humphrey Trevelyan, had seen Foreign Minister Mahmud Fawzy about the broadcasts.

Social & Personal

The Foreign Minister and Mrs. Sharett entertained to luncheon yesterday Mrs. Mary Segal, Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Wohl, Mr. and Mrs. Moss Morris, Mr. Solly Yellin, Dr. and Mrs. Yona Carpas, Mr. and Mrs. Haim Raday, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jacobson, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lourie, Mrs. Beatrice Zion, and Mr. Reuven Dafni. On Tuesday, First Day of Passover, Mr. and Mrs. Sharett entertained to tea Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Becker, the Mayor of Jerusalem and Mrs. Agron, Mr. and Mrs. Moshe Kol, Dr. Dov Joseph, M.K., and Mrs. Joseph, Aluf Mishne Haim Herzog, Prof. and Mrs. M. Ben-Ari, Dr. and Mrs. Yigael Yadin, Dr. and Mrs. Leo Kohn.

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The Minister of Transport, Mr. M. Carmel, yesterday gave a reception at the Eden Hotel for M. Robert Levy, Director-General of the French Minister of Transport, who is staying at the hotel.

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Superior Court Judge and Mrs. Stanley Mosk, of Los Angeles, were received yesterday by Mrs. Golda Myerson, the Minister of Labour, in her office. In the afternoon they visited Dr. Dov Joseph at his home.

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The Mayor of Jerusalem, Mr. Gershon Agron, and Professor Benzion Dinur, former Minister of Education, are to open an exhibition of Jewish bookplates at 3.30 this afternoon at the Printers Association Club, Rehov Hebron, Jerusalem.

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Dr. Silver was the guest yesterday at a reception given by the Manufacturers Association in Tel Aviv. Rabbi Silver, who is a member of the Board of Governors of the Hebrew University, and Mrs. M. Segal, of Cape Town, visited the University yesterday where they were received by its President, Professor B. Mazar.

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Mr. Leslie Levens, founder of the Marguerite Society in London, and Mrs. Levens, were the guests of honour at a reception by the Israel Anti-Tuberculosis League at the President Hotel on Tuesday. Dr. Z. Avigdori, President of the League, presided. Among the guests were the Guatemalan Minister and Mrs. Granados.

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Mr. Yosef Kokia, Director-General of the Ministry of Justice, gave a luncheon yesterday in honour of Judge H. Fisher, Mr. G. Kolin, Mr. E. Leaf, and their ladies. Among those present were Supreme Court Justices Cheshin and Agranat, Mr. Colin Gluckman, the State Attorney, Mr. S. Rosenne, Legal Adviser of the Foreign Ministry, and their ladies.

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The Zim Company held a reception aboard the s.s. Israel yesterday for Mr. Jacob Hecht of Basle, Director of the Neptuna Co. and the Rhenania concern.

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A reception was given this week by Messrs. Dan and Dr. Raphael Ben-Dor, Architects, in honour of Dr. and Mrs. Jacob Hecht of Basle. Among those present were the Foreign Minister and Mrs. Moshe Sharett, Dr. and Mrs. Dov Joseph, Dr. Reuven Hecht, founder and Director of the Dagon Co. (Silo), Haifa, and Mrs. Hecht.

ARRIVALS: Rabbi Menahem Porush, leader of Agudat Yisrael, from the U.S.; Mr. Leon Kibrick, Editor of the Argentine daily, "Jewish World," as a guest of Keren Hayesod.

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DEPARTURE: Mr. Gershom Schocken, M.K., and editor of "Ha'aretz," to Europe for a month's vacation (by T.W.A.).

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Dr. B. Sarel, Lecturer in Pharmaceutical Chemistry at the Hebrew University, has been appointed Director of the Department of Pharmaceutical Chemistry at the School of Pharmacy of the Hebrew University - Hadassah Medical School.

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Dr. Ya'acov Arnon has been appointed Inspector of Diamonds by the Minister of Commerce and Industry. He replaces Mr. A. Arnfeld.

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The Haifa Rotary Club has elected Mr. A. Rosenfeld as its President for 1956-57; Mr. F. J. Banda is past president; Mr. F. Lacwy Hon. Secretary; Mr. M. Rowe, Hon. Treasurer; Mr. R. Chalkin, Hon. Asst. Secretary; and Messrs. A. L. Chisseick, D. Freeman, L. Rabinowitz and Dr. I. Izkovitch, directors.

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The officers elected at the recent meeting of the Jerusalem Branch of the Hitahdut Olei Britannia are Mr. Z. Wineberg, Chairman; Mrs. T. Silman and Mrs. M. Louvish, Vice-Chairman; Mrs. M. Louvish, Hon. Secretary, and Mrs. D. Slutskin, Hon. Treasurer.

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Professor A. Tiselius, 1947 Nobel Prize winner for chemistry and Nobel Foundation Board member, is to lecture in Jerusalem on April 5 on the Principles and Practices of the Nobel Foundation. For invitations, interested persons may write to Mrs. Y. Wolfsberg, Hon. Secretary, Israel-Sweden Friendship Association, 27 Rehov Ben-Maimon, Jerusalem.

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M. Jean Perrot is to speak on "Les Impressionistes et leur Epoque" (with slides), at 9 o'clock this evening at the Centre de Culture Francaise, Jerusalem. M. Marcel Laforge, French Consul-General, will preside.

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Mr. Robert Shaw, conductor of the American chorale and orchestra society now touring Israel, is to speak on "Some Meanings of Music" at the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary Club luncheon at Z.O.A. House at 1.15 today.

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"At Home Tonight," in the Jerusalem Wine Shop will feature a Negev Evening including: Jewellery from the mines of King Solomon, Coloured Slides—Beersheba to Eilat, Recorded talk by Prof. Nelson Glueck, Archaeology in Israel, and Spring Fashions in Negev Linen, followed by slides showing the Faces and Hands behind Wise Home Industries. Tourists and Residents of Jerusalem are cordially invited at 9 p.m.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Ruth Luba Weidenfeld

The death has occurred in Jerusalem of Mrs. Ruth Luba Weidenfeld, beloved mother of Meira and Yohanan Bein. The cortege will leave the Sha'arei Zedek Hospital, Jerusalem, today at 12 noon.

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME

322, 249, 33.4 & 48.5 M.

News: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 1.30, 7.00, 9.00 & 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 8 a.m., 2.15 & 5.45 p.m. 8.00 Light Music. 8.30 Exercise. 8.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 9.00 Close Down.

12.00 N. Programme for Factory Workers (Haifa). 12.30 Housewives' Corner. 12.50 Requests (R). 1.40 Excerpts from Operas on Biblical Themes by Rossini, Verdi, & Saint-Saens. 3.30 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Music. 4.30 Weekly Summary: Mishna Yomit. 4.45 "Musical Miniatures." 5.00 Child Corner. 5.15 Youth's Programme. 6.45 Bible Reading. 7.15 Farmer's Corner. 7.30 Press please. 8.00 Piano Recital by Frank Pelleg. Mozart: Variations on a Theme by Paisiello, K. 398 Castelnuovo-Tedesco: "The Stories of Jesse" — Suite. 8.30 "The Train Comes to Beer-Sheba." 9.15 Mozart: Piano Concerto in C, K. 503, played by Arieh Sarnesh and the Kol Yisrael Orchestra, conducted by Georg Singer. 9.50 Programme by Samuel Rosen. 10.20 "Musical Echoes." 10.45 Light Music. 11.00 "Owls & Grins" — Yitshak Shimoni. 12.10 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

491, 463, 428, 215, 48.5 & 25.4 M.

English News: 1.45, 10.15 p.m. French News: 6.00 p.m.

"EMIGRANTS' HOUR" (32.3, 31.9 & 25.4 M.): 5.30 p.m. Programme for Yemenites. 5.45 Ladino—Hebrew Lessons. 6.00 Light Music. 6.30 French. 7.00 Yiddish. 7.30 Ladino. 8.00 Turkish. 8.15 News in Easy Hebrew. 8.30 Rumanian. 8.45 Hungarian. 9.00 Close Down.

KOL HOM LAGOLA (32.3 M.): (South Africa Programme): 6.30 News. 6.40 Newsreel. 6.50 "Jews in the News."

11.15 p.m. News. 11.35 Newsreel. 11.45 "Song of Songs" Orchestra of Music Lovers.

ARMY PROGRAMME (44.6 M. 32.3 & 25.4 M.): 4.30 Opening. 6.35 "Theme with Variations." 7.00 News. 7.10 "Appointment with a composer" — Menahem Avidom. 7.30 Free your Informal Zone — D. Rahbi. 7.45 Classical Requests. 8.30 Light Music Quiz. 9.00 News. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (49.75, 31.42, 16.90, 19.13 M.): 7.30-8.00 p.m. News, News Talk, Echoes from the World.

Yiddish Theatre Star Takes to Hebrew

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The well known Yiddish operetta star, Max Pearlman, is to make his first appearance in "Money, Money, Money" a Hebrew-language show opening at the Do-Re-Mi Theatre on Saturday night. He has spent the last two months learning his part in his "new" language. Mr. George Val, General Manager of the theatre, told the press today.

Mr. Val said that the Negro singers, Babe Wallace and Virginia Capers, would also feature in the show, which is an adaptation of the story of a young man who has to spend a million dollars in a given time in order to inherit a further $7m.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

JERUSALEM: Drs. 37 King George, 2943.

TEL AVIV: Michaelski, 7 Ben Yehuda, 56870. Reitblatt, 19 Nahlat Binyamin, Mesbevitza, 25 King George, 63830. Lallender, 76 Ariosoroff, 59313. Maccabi, New Maccabi Cir., 67867. JAFFA: Yarkoni, 3 Rehov Sde, 61782. RAMAT GAN: Rampel, Gan, 31 Bialik, 71814. RAMAT HASHARON: Hartikhon, 56 Hatikhon, 71949. PETAH TIKVA: Rafkin, 40 Hovevei Zion. HERZLIYA LEZION: Serebrinitzki. REHOVOT: Hanegev, 136 Herzl, 343.

HAIFA: Feis, 21 Joseph, 80114. Shomron, Cor. Bank-Jaffa, 4924. KIRYAT MOTZKIN: Pentagon. NAHARIYA: Nahariya. RAFAD: Feldman.

EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS

JERUSALEM: Dr. Romanoff, 11 Arlosoroff, 61217. Dr. Greenwald, 20 Yehoshua Bin-Nun, 62963. Dr. Ehor, 45 Rashi.

TEL AVIV: Dr. Shahan, 1 Ryrkin, 63443. Dr. Sacher, 64 Sokolov, 56381. Dr. Levitan, 11 Hatavor, 58007. JAFFA: Dr. Alkalai, 58 Rehov 4.

HAIFA: Dr. Epstein, 97 Herzl, 3077. Dr. Sherman, 8 Hanevi'im, 1181. Dr. Ludwig, 24 Hativat Yoav, 67417.

LAW REPORT

The Jerusalem Post
March 29, 1956

In the Supreme Court Sitting as High Court of Justice

Before Justices Agranat, Silberg and Goitein.

Eliezer Brandwein, Petitioner, v. Director of Prisons and Dr. Benyamin Halevi, Respondents (H.C. 19/56).

Judge's Resignation is Revocable

In a habeas corpus application the petitioner, Eliezer Brandwein, claimed that he was being illegally detained in Ramle prison, since the verdict, as a result of which he had been imprisoned, had been delivered by the President of the Jerusalem District Court, Dr. Benjamin Halevi, at the time when he was not a judge, having resigned from his position. The petitioner, who appeared on his own behalf, stated that Judge Halevi had tendered his resignation to the Minister of Justice on December 24, 1953 and had withdrawn it at the end of January, 1954, but that this revocation did not reinstate him in his former position. The petitioner claimed that Judge Halevi had ceased to be a judge three months after the date on which he had submitted his resignation, basing this proposition on section 16 of the Judges' Law, 1953, which states:

"A judge may resign his office by submitting a letter of resignation to the Minister of Justice; his tenure shall end upon the expiration of three months from the submission of the letter of resignation, unless the Minister of Justice had consented to a shorter period."

The Attorney General, Mr. Haim Cohen, who was invited by the court to show cause why the petition for habeas corpus should not be granted, raised his objections on two main arguments: (a) that from the provisions of section 16 it was clear that two criteria were necessary before a judge's tenure of office came to an end: he had to tender a letter of resignation, and three months should expire after the date of his resignation. As long as the second criterion was not fulfilled, he was at liberty to withdraw his resignation; (b) Alternatively, even if the resignation were irrevocable, Judge Halevi's verdict was not open to collateral attack on the part of the petitioner.

The High Court rejected the petitioner's application on February 24, 1956, the day of the hearing, reserving its reasons.

Decision

Justice Agranat, in giving the decision of the High Court, concentrated mainly on the question whether the legislature had intended granting a judge who submitted a letter of resignation three months respite in which to reconsider his decision and withdraw his resignation; or whether, having once submitted his resignation, a judge's tenure of office automatically ceased after three months and he was precluded from revoking his resignation.

Having considered the question in detail, with reference to English and Scottish law and precedents, the Justice concluded that a distinction must be drawn between a provision of the law which says that "resignation shall take effect" after three months, and that which says that "tenure of office shall end upon the expiration of three months." He would not hesitate to say that in the first instance all that was required was that a resignation should be submitted for the operation to b complete and irrevocable. But in the second case (i.e. as in the case of section 16) it would not be sufficient for an office-holder —in this case a judge—merely to express his intention to resign in a letter to the Minister; he would also have to serve for three months from the date of this expression of intention, before his tenure of office came to an end. This meant, in effect, that until the period of three months was over, the resignation was incomplete and could therefore be revoked.

In order to strengthen this conclusion, analogy could be drawn from the English and American principle that, if the resignation of an office-holder is dependent on the acceptance or approval of his superior, then as long as this acceptance or approval has not been given—i.e. as long as the final step towards completion of the resignation has not been taken—the resignation is revocable; but once this approval has been given, then the resignation is irrevocable, even though the time at which it is to take effect has not arrived.

Public Interest

Furthermore, Justice Agranat held that another consideration in support of the conclusion reached with regard to the interpretation of section 16 was the common law rule that a public officer accepts a burden which, in the interests of the community and of good government he is bound to bear, unless there is an explicit provision in the law which allows him to lay it down; or, alternatively, his voluntary resignation is accepted by the appointing power. This attitude towards public office, he continued, applies equally, or even more so, to judges. If therefore the Israeli legislature gave judges the privilege of resigning from office without the consent of the appointing power and, presumably, against the interests of the public, demanding only that two criteria be fulfilled, a judge must be entitled to avail himself of his right to repent before the second of the two criteria had been fulfilled. As to the counter-argument that the interest of the public demands that there should not be a state of uncertainty, he was sure, said Justice Agranat, that granting a judge three months in which to change his mind about his intention to resign was not a high price to pay at the expense of certainty. On the other hand, a necessary proviso to the principle that a person who wishes to rectify a mistake should be at liberty to do so, must be the condition that in the meanwhile no new rights have intervened. In the present case, no new judge had been appointed to take Judge Halevi's place, and the application of this provision was therefore unnecessary.

Justice Agranat then distinguished the case of a resigning judge from that of a resigning municipal councillor whose resignation, it was held in the Kafr Kamma case (H.C. 164-54, P.D. 9-108) is irrevocable.

Validity of Resigning Judge's Acts

Despite the fact that his decision with regard to Judge Halevi's resignation was sufficient reason for refusing the *habeas corpus* application, he continued, he would nevertheless deal with Mr. Cohen's alternative argument, viz. that the verdict could not be attacked collaterally. He then quoted extensively from American authorities and precedents in order to establish the principle that the official acts of a *de facto* judge are valid and binding, at least as far as the public and third persons are concerned, and are not open to collateral (indirect) attack, a principle established as a matter of public policy and necessity for the protection of the public.

Justice Agranat then defined a *de facto* judge in detail and applying this definition, held that, even if the High Court had decided that Judge Halevi's resignation had been irrevocable, he would still, at the time he passed judgment on the petitioner, have been acting with colour of right and he would still have had the reputation amongst the public of being entitled to exercise the judicial functions which he assumed, functions recognized by law. In short, he would still *de facto* have been a judge, and the petitioner could, therefore, not appeal against the verdict solely on the grounds that the Judge's tenure of office had ceased.

Habeas Corpus petition dismissed.

Reasoned decision given on March 26, 1956.

Ayanot Farm School Marks Semi-Jubilee

Jerusalem Post Reporter

REHOVOT, Wednesday. — The Ayanot Agricultural High School today celebrated its 25th anniversary. Instead of staging re-union festivities for its 2,500 alumni, the school donated IL1,000 to the Defence Fund.

A new compound containing class rooms and laboratories was dedicated today by Mrs. Chaim Weizmann. The compound is named after her husband, the First President of Israel, who was a devoted friend of the institution.

"The country should hold its own against the monopolising of culture by the town," the school principal, Dr. Moshe Atidya, told Wise and the Working Women's Council delegations who assembled at the School for lunch.

It was a fallacy, perpetuated by Second Aliya veterans that a farmer must resemble outwardly and spiritually the impoverished mujbik of their country of origin. The future of Israel depended on a healthy and well-educated agricultural society, Dr. Atidya said.

Ayanot was established by a group of 10 young women who felt the need for a training centre for the women farm workers. Miss Ada Maimon said. She was one of the group and is still the School matron. There are now 320 boys and girls in the school.

A PUBLIC advisory committee to assist provident and pension funds in making safe, worthwhile investments has been appointed by the Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol.

This week at the Jerusalem Y.M.C.A.
March 29:
Maundy Thursday Communion
Service at 8 p.m.
March 30: Recorded Music "St. Matthew Passion," by J.S. Bach, with Holy Land scenes, at 8 p.m.
April 1:
Easter Vespers at 6 p.m.
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J.S. Bach: Cantata No. 4
Schubert: Mass in G., etc.
Tickets: Cahana
Impresario: W.H. Rosen

Truman Doesn't Want To Be President

KANSAS CITY, Wednesday (Reuter). — Former President Harry Truman said last night he would attend the Democratic National Convention, but repeated that he has no desire to be President again.

"I am honoured that the Democratic leaders in Missouri have nominated me for delegate at large at the convention. However, Missouri delegates have been pledged to Senator Stuart Symington —and while that is all right with me — I would prefer to go to the convention free to talk to all candidates and delegates."

Mr. Truman will leave on Friday for New York to address the annual award dinner of the Overseas Press Club.

Drinks on Ike's Train Said Not Poisoned

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, West Virginia, Wednesday (Reuter). — The State Hygienic Laboratory at Charleston today rejected a theory that poisoned ginger ale was served on the train on which President Eisenhower travelled to his summit meeting here with the President of Mexico and the Premier of Canada.

A probe was ordered when three persons were taken ill after drinking the ale on a journey from Huntington, West Virginia, to Washington last Thursday. The drinks were placed aboard the coach in which Mr. Eisenhower travelled to White Sulphur Springs for his meeting with President Adolfo Cortines and Mr. Louis St. Laurent.

NY Daily Worker Sealed, But Still Comes Out

NEW YORK, Wednesday (Reuter). — The "Daily Worker," whose offices were raided and sealed yesterday in a coast-to-coast swoop on Communist Party property, appeared as usual today. The edition printed last night carried a large headline, "Our Office Seized—Here we Are."

It was printed by a private contractor in the same building as its editorial offices. The staff, meanwhile, searched for new accommodation to continue to prepare copy for the tabloid-size newspaper.

Targets of the raid by Treasury Department agents were Communist property in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, San Francisco and Los Angeles. The crack-down took the Communists completely by surprise. They protested that the action was "outrageous, Gestapo-like, lawless, infamous."

In Chicago, Mr. Emanuel Blum, an alleged Communist leader, was arrested last night and held on $20,000 bail. The F.B.I. said he had been charged with the violation of the Smith Act, which makes it illegal to conspire to overthrow the Government by violence.

The New York District Director of the International Revenue Department, Mr. Donald Moysey, was called to Washington today, apparently to explain his action in ordering seizure of Communist Party headquarters in several cities and of the "Daily Worker" offices for alleged unpaid taxes. It was assumed the call came from the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Mr. Russel Harrington.

Mr. Harrington was at first unable to make a statement about yesterday's raids on Communist Party offices. Asked if the raids could have been made without his permission, Mr. Harrington said later, "I guess I have to take responsibility for them."

In the raids, treasury agents snapped padlocks on the newspaper and Communist Party offices in the five cities. It was said that the Party had owed $369,965 in income taxes for 1951 and the "Daily Worker" $46,049 for 1951, 1952 and 1953.

INDIA WINS IN DAVIS CUP

COLOMBO, Wednesday (Reuter). — India defeated Ceylon by five matches to nil in an Eastern Zone first round Davis Cup match yesterday and qualified to meet Japan in the next round.

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TEL AVIV: Chel, tonight, March 29, 8.30 p.m.
TEL AVIV: Z.O.A. House, Sat. night, March 31, 7.15 & 9.15
HAIFA: Orah, Sun., April 1, 8.30 p.m.
HADERA: Hof, Wed., April 4, 8.30 p.m.
BEIT YITSHAK: Beit Ha'am, Thurs., April 5, 8.30 p.m.
KIRYAT HAIM: Beit Ha'am, Fri., April 6, 8.30 p.m.

Kuc 1st, Zatopek 3rd in Race

PARIS, Wednesday (Reuter). — Vladimir Kuc, the leading Soviet distance runner, won the International Cross Country race over 10,000 metres on Sunday.

Emil Zatopek, the Czech Olympic champion, winner of this race for the past two years, could finish only third. Kuc clocked 29 mins. 54 secs. to finish nearly 5 seconds ahead of Jerzy Chromik of Poland, the world's fastest 3,000 metres steeplechaser. This is the third successive time the lanky Polish runner has been second in the annual event.

Chromik's time was 29: 34.4 secs. Zatopek returned 30 mins. 3 secs., to finish six seconds in front of Poland's Zadislaw Kryszowiak, who was fourth. Kuc's victory completed a Russian double. Earlier the Soviet world 800 metres record holder, Miss Nina Otkalenko, won the women's cross country race over 2,500 metres, her third successive win in the event.

Kuc, 13th last year, set a fast pace from the start, and by the end of the first lap of 2,000 metres held a lead of 8 secs. over Zatopek. The Czechoslovak ace clung grimly to second place on the second lap, though under pressure from Chromik. But the Pole gradually wore down Zatopek. By the end of the lap Chromik had moved up to second place, 9 secs. behind Kuc. Otkalenko won her race in 7 mins. 1 sec. Two other Russian girls, Miss Anna Lapchina and Miss Dona Koslova, were second and third.

PORTUGAL BEATS TURKEY 3-1

LISBON, Wednesday (Reuter). — Portugal defeated Turkey — recent shock winners over Hungary — by 3-1, in a soccer international, watched by a crowd of 14,000 in the National Stadium here on Sunday. Portugal led 1-0 at half time.

Turkey lost a chance of taking the lead in the first minute, when, from a corner, by outside left Khardi, centre-forward Metin headed the ball against the crossbar. Inside-right Vasques put Portugal ahead in the 32nd min. when he received a high pass in the goalmouth and breasted the ball into the net.

Portugal went two up in the 47th minute through a hard ground shot by centre-forward Matateu, and the same player made it 3-0 with a similar shot after 70 minutes. Outside-right Isfendyar got Turkey's only goal two minutes from the end. Turkey beat Hungary, 3-2, in Istanbul last month.

France and Hungary drew 1-1 in an international "B" soccer match in Budapest, the same day. Both goals were scored in the second half.

FROM TOMORROW, the offices of the Defence Fund in Tel Aviv will be at 41 Rehov Lilienblum, telephone 67897/8 and 67780.

Where to go

JERUSALEM

• Exhibitions:—
1) Dutch and Flemish 17th Century Paintings. 2) Paintings by Maurycy Gottlieb. Exhibit of Month: Illuminated Haggadot for Passover. Haggadah (1918 Century). Bezalel, 9-1, 3-6.

Permanent exhibition at the Department of Antiquities. Treasury: Finds in Caesarea. 9-1, 3-5.

1) Jerusalem Artists Spring Exhibition. 2) Applied Arts and Crafts. Artists House 10-1, 4-6.

The Ressi Gallery, 13 Princess Mary Ave., (entrance Keren Yesod) presents an ideal opportunity for the tourist to see the best in Contemporary Israel Art and Crafts. 9.30 a.m.—1 p.m., 3.30—7 p.m.

• Tours:—
Hebrew University conducted tour. New Administration Building. Opposite Terra Sancta. 10 a.m.

TEL AVIV

• Exhibitions:—
a) Modern American Prints. b) Annual Exhibition of Israel Painters and Sculptors. Museum. 10-1, 4-7.

Woodcuts by Jacob Pins. Ben Maruch Gallery, 12 Ben Yehuda. 9-1, 4-7.

General Exhibition of Israel Artists. Art Pavilion, 9 Rehov Atharisi. 10-1, 4-7 (except Fridays).

Note: This exhibition closed on April 7.

• Folk Dance Club:—
Z.O.A. House at 7.45 and 9.30 — Square Dancing.

• Concert:—
Rotter Shaw Chorale and Orchestra. Ohel Shem, 4.45 and 9.15.

• Theatre:—
Habimah, "Alei Kinor" (For Youth) 11 a.m. "Faust" 8.
Cameri, "The Mantle" Mograbi, 8. "The War of the Sons of Light and Darkness." New Cameri Hall 8.
Ramatenu, "The Sleeping Beauty," Ohel 11 a.m.
Ohel, "Johnny Belinda," Arnon, 8.

HERZLIYA

• Theatre:—
Yiddish Comedy—"Fishel Zuchi A Weib," Tiferet.

AYELE

• Theatre:—
Cameri, "The Hasty Heart," Kol-Hon, 8.

HAIFA

• Theatre:—
Ohel, "Johnny Belinda," Arnon, 8.

Cinemas

JERUSALEM

At 2.30, 5.00 and 8.30 p.m.
ARNON: To Hell and Back. 5th week.
EDEN: It's Always Fair Weather
EDISON: Immortal Melody.
ORNA: The Dark Avenger.
ORION: Confessions of Babylon.
OGEN: Modern Times. 2nd week.
RON: Tale of a Taxi. 2nd week.
STUDIO: Roman Holiday. 2nd week.
ZION HALL: The Country Girl. Matinee: 2. Ring Circus.
TEL OR: Carnival Story.

TEL AVIV

At 2.30, 7.15 and 9.15 p.m.
ALLENBY: Love is a Many Splendoured Thing. 3rd week
ARNON DAVID: Innocents in Paris.
CHEN: Conquest of Space.
EDEN: Awara. 2nd week.
ESTHER: Rose Marie.
HOGDADI: Battle Cry. 5th week.
OPHIR: "Papa, Maman, la Bonne et Moi." 4th week.
SHDEROTH: Spellbound.
TAMAR: Not as a Stranger. 4th week. Matinee: When I Grow Up.
TCHELETH: Pirate. Also at 10.30 a.m.
RAMIR: "La Vie d'un Honnete Homme." 5th week.
ORION: Rest of Eden.
YARON: Too Bad she's Bad.

HAIFA

ORION: Son of Sinbad.
ATZMON: Jupiter's Darling.
PEER: Tale of a Taxi.
GAL ON: Gilda.
ORAN: White Christmas. 2nd week.
AMFITHEATRE: Carmen Jones.
ORLY: "Fargis 7 Filles."
ARMON: Modern Times. 2nd week. Matinees: Hansel and Gretel.
EN DOR: The Racers.
HODIAH: The Sheep has 5 Legs
NAY: Helen of Troy. 2nd week.

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Pop. Loans 1949/50 (IL10)	
3½% Treas. Dollar 1977	
4% Gnmp. Loan 54/59	
3½% War Loan 54/59	
3½% Gov. Bds. (large)	
4% Reg. Sterling "A"	
4% Reg. Sterling "B"	
Pal. Electr. Bds. Ser. 9	
Bk. Leumi ord. sh.	
A.P.B. Investm. ord. sh. "B"	
Discnt. ord. sh. "B"	
Elanit's Inv. ord.	
P.E.C. Inv. ord. "B" h.d.	
Geo. Mercy. Sh. ord. sh.	
Bizur 4% debs. 56/63	
Hir 6% Debs. (bearer)	
5% pref. sh.	
Paas 6% debs. 55/64 Reg. "1956" 6% debs.	
I.L.D.C. ord. sh. reg. 6% debs.	
Afr. Pal. Inv. ord. sh.	
Balance 6% pref. ord. sh. 61	
Pal. Potash 6% pref. sh. "A" ord. shares	
Pal. Elec. pref. sh. (Lem)	
Cl. "B" C. Debs. 57/64	
Rehovot pref. sh.	
Alg. ord. sh. "B" sh.	
6% Con. debs.	
"Ephraim" ord. "B"	
Tilcon debs. 59/69	
Meller-Bee ord. sh. reg.	
Pal. Brewery 6% con. sh.	
Assis Rotarus "B" sh.	
"Tera" ord. sh. d)	
Nesher 6% debs. "A"	
Pal. Cela 6% 7% notes.	
ord. sh. reg. (full div.)	
Pal. Cabyl. 7% 8% debs	

Notes: a) purchasing price; b) selling price; c) ex-coupons; d) ex dividend; e) ex right; f) 15% of IL1,000; g) 15.5./15.12; * Dollar ** Index.

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Today's Postbag

THE WEATHER

FORECAST: Partly cloudy to cloudy with occasional showers.

	A	B	C	D
Mt. Gen'sn.	09	3	11	3
Tiberias	14	7	22	12
Haifa Port	10	12	19	15
Natanya	08	10	22	21
Tel Aviv Kirya	09	11	20	20
Tel Aviv Port	10	12	19	18
Lydda Airport	08	8	20	17
Jerusalem	01	4	13	9
Beersheba	02	5	15	12
Eilat	15	14	31	28

*A) Humidity at 6 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maximum yesterday D) Maximum temp. expected today.

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ALL RATION CARD coupons marked 1-120, which were in effect from September to February, are now null and void. Consumers should destroy these coupons in order to make things easier for shopkeeper and consumer alike. The invalidation of coupons is announced every month on the ration list to be found at every retailer.

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28 CYPRIOTS have booked tickets through the Cahana Theatrical Agency in Jerusalem for the Easter Sunday performance of sacred music, to be given at the Y.M.C.A. by the Robert Shaw Chorale. They will make the trip especially from Cyprus to hear the Chorale.

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THE CONTRACT turning the Jerusalem Municipal water pipeline over to the Mekorot Company will be formally signed by Mayor Gershon Agron at 10 this morning at a ceremony at a pumping station on the Tel Aviv-Jerusalem road.

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A BOOKLET on metal technology in Arabic for the use of Arab pupils in vocational schools has been published by the Vocational Education Department of the Ministry of Labour. **A SECOND** group of pupils, numbering 51 men and women, recently began sewing, metal work and carpentry courses at the Nazareth Vocational Education Centre.

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A NEW TOWER for the Taibeh mosque in the Little Triangle area was recently dedicated in the presence of many Moslem leaders. New towers are being planned for other settlements in the area.

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THE APPRENTICESHIP Council has decided to recommend to the Minister of Labour that three additional trades, general metal working, metal construction and engraving, be declared trades requiring apprenticeship.

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THE NUTRITION DEPARTMENT of the Ministry of Education and Culture has moved its offices in HaKirya. Its new address is: HaKirya, Jerusalem, near the Post Office. The telephone number is 3136.

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THE CARMEL bakery in Haifa has been fined IL150 by a Magistrate's Court for baking during prohibited night hours, an offence against the Labour Law regulations... **FOR NOT** putting up a safety shield around a band saw, the Mitkan cooperative machineshop in Ra'anana was fined IL35.

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THE MAXIMUM PRICE for Valencia oranges for the consumer has been set at 200 pruta per kilogram (150 pruta for the retailer). In Jerusalem, the South and the North, an additional 10 pruta per kilo has been permitted. The prices of Jaffa oranges and grapefruit remain unchanged at 180 pruta per kilo for the consumer.

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THREE LITTLE girls from Kiryat Yam, near Haifa, were taken ill on Tuesday afternoon, after eating some rat poison they had found in a dustbin near their home. They were sent home after treatment at the Rambam Hospital.

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800 IMMIGRANTS from North Africa arrived at Haifa in the ss. Artza yesterday afternoon. As the ship had been delayed for several hours by a storm, it was too late to disembark the newcomers. They will disembark this morning and go to agricultural settlements and development areas.

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CHARGED with having committed 15 housebreakings and robberies in Jerusalem this month while stationed in a reserve army camp near the city, Shmuel Shalom, of Jaffa, was yesterday ordered to be remanded for 10 days by Jerusalem Magistrate Y. Weiner.

YITZHAK MANN DIES AGED 66

Dr. Yitzhak Mann, author, editor and veteran worker of the Jewish National Fund, died in his home in Jerusalem yesterday morning at the age of 66.

Born in Przemysl, Galicia, Yitzhak Mann studied physics, mathematics and philosophy and in 1920 received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. He began work at the J.N.F. Head Office in 1926, two years after settling in this country. He served until the day of his death as chief editor of all J.N.F. literary publications. In 1948, he was awarded the Tchernichovsky Prize for his translation of Karl Marx's "Das Capital." Dr. Mann leaves a wife and son.

Haifa Man Murders Wife, Jumps Six Storeys to Death

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Wednesday. — Moshe Ginea, 47, jumped to his death from a sixth floor window of the Solel Boneh Building at about 8.45 this morning, three hours after having murdered his wife, Sara, 38, by smashing her head with a wooden stool.

The couple was childless and had only distant relatives in the country.

Police were called to the Solel Boneh building this morning and found Ginea lying dead outside. He carried an identity card. The constables immediately went to his home at 6 Rehov Emek Hazetim, but found the flat locked.

They found one neighbour who had heard a scream of "*gevalt*" coming from the flat just after 8.30. Hearing nothing more she had paid no attention to it.

On the strength of this information the policemen broke into the flat. They found Mrs. Ginea, dressed in a night gown and wrapped in a sheet, lying dead on the floor.

Next to her they found a broken stool, which her husband had apparently used to kill her.

From a reconstruction of the tragedy it was found that after committing the murder, Ginea had washed the blood off himself in the bathroom, changed his clothes and had gone out. His blood-stained clothes were found in the flat. A total of IL800 in cash was found in a cupboard.

No letters or notes pertaining to the crime were found. A *post mortem* of the two bodies will be made at the Rambam Hospital tomorrow. The investigations are for the purpose of the coroner's enquiry only.

The Ginea couple had let two of their three rooms. A girl clerk living with them left the flat at 8.30 this morning, shortly before the murder, but had noticed nothing unusual.

Ginea came to this country from Poland in 1945. His first wife and two children were killed by the Nazis. In 1947 he married again and the couple moved into the present flat. According to neighbours they had been very quiet and had kept to themselves. Until a short time ago relations between them appeared to be excellent. Ginea had been in charge of the Barkan cooperative store in Ramot Hemed until his dismissal six months ago.

The loss of his job had depressed him, and he attempted to commit suicide some time ago. Police foiled the attempt and asked friends to look after him.

A short time ago Ginea was given work with Mashbir La'Oleh in Sejera, but he had apparently been dissatisfied with this job.

Ginea arrived at the Solel Boneh building at about 8.30 and asked the porter for permission to go up to a first floor office. He went straight to the sixth floor, moved a bench he found in the corridor underneath one of the windows, and jumped out.

Israeli Chairman Of Forestry Congress

An Israeli, an Australian, a Frenchman, and an Italian are to serve as chairmen of the four principal sections of the World Eucalyptus Forestry Congress to be held in Italy in October under the joint auspices of the Government of Italy and the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization.

The Israeli is Dr. A. Y. Goor, Chief Conservator of Forests of Israel.

The Congress will deal with all phases of eucalyptus forestry work, including the introduction and treatment of eucalyptus as a factor in combating arid and semi-arid zone problems. In this latter field Dr. Goor is an internationally-established expert.

He has been directing eucalyptus development in Israel for many years, and has served as an F.A.O. expert in India, and in many countries of Latin America.

WEIZMANN INSTITUTE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

The Weizmann Institute Board of Governors is to meet in London in July, with the participation of eminent scientists and many distinguished guests.

Mr. Meyer Weisgal, Chairman of the Executive Council, yesterday denied a report attributed to him that the meeting is to discuss whether the Institute is to concentrate on pure or applied science. He pointed out that it has "long been engaged in both branches of science and there is no intention to depart from this policy."

Mapam Deserts Hadera Coalition

HADERA, Wednesday. — Mapam left the Municipal Council coalition here tonight after the Municipality had approved a IL1.9m. budget for the coming fiscal year. Mayor I. Widerker said that there would be no emergency rate but any income from the slight increase in the general rate would be used for defence purposes.

The Mapam Councillor said that his party was leaving the coalition because of the allocations for religious purposes.

Licences Suspended For Overcharging

Six fishmongers and two butchers in the Tel Aviv area have had their licences suspended for overcharging, the Ministry of Commerce spokesman has announced.

In most cases the overcharging was on carp, for which the official price is IL1.500 a kilo. But there was also overcharging on rationed meat and on fish fillet.

The public is urged to report similar incidents to the district offices of the Food Controller.

IL3.9M. MORE

Currency in circulation rose during the past week by IL3,873,258, to stand at IL310,945,000. The increase was attributed to the large demand for cash over the Passover holiday, the Bank of Israel announced yesterday.

Treasury bills rose by IL720,000 and foreign currency by IL2,152,257. There was no change in gold holdings or in land bills.

Parents Attack Bursary System

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Sharp criticism of the current scholarship system by which school fees paid by parents are used to assist selected other pupils, and a call to the government to exempt secondary school fees from income tax, were heard at the National Conference of Parents Councils of Public Secondary Schools held here today.

Dr. S. Ellenberg, of Tel Aviv, said that many parents would be forced to take their children out of school because of the increased fees. He complained that parents were paying for students who were granted scholarships and reductions.

The Haifa District Attorney, Mr. L. Rabinowitz, said that parents could not agree to pay for scholarships for pupils at the expense of less-talented pupils. He did not object to scholarships, but thought the Ministry of Education should pay for them.

Dr. M. Ziv, Director of the Secondary Education Division of the Education Ministry, thought that the scholarship system ensured that the most talented and deserving pupils would benefit.

The Parents Council conference elected a committee to represent the parents of 12,500 students at 55 public secondary schools. *(Hitim)*

RATION NEWS

Frozen Meat: from the last day of Passover, 180 gm. per person, coupon 131, temp. B. Vegetarians, 3 eggs, coupon 107. Coffee: 60 gm., coupon 143 (Heh, Daled), temp. 12. Chocolate: coupon 139 (Aleph, Bet, Gimel), temp. 14.

The April sugar ration will be 1,200 gm. in place of one kilogram, while an augmented ration of fats, to include 400 gms. of oil, 300 gms. of margarine and 400 gms. of imported butter, will also be distributed.

1,350 Drivers Get Awards for Safety

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Silver cups for safe driving during 1955 were handed over to the Egged bus cooperative and the drivers of Shekem, the Army canteen service, at a ceremony in the Ohel Shem Hall today preceding the award of "Safety Driver of 1955" certificates to 1,350 drivers.

The cups were awarded by Mayor Haim Levanon to the two organizations with the greatest number of safety drivers.

District Court Judge H. S. Lowenberg, chairman of the National Council for the Prevention of Accidents, said that more than 30 people had been killed in road accidents this month, which was one of the blackest on record. "Let us avoid these sacrifices, which are a gift to our enemies," he appealed. The two cups were presented by the Dan bus cooperative and several insurance companies. Among the audience were drivers of all ages and of all kinds of vehicles. Some of the Egged bus drivers had been at the wheel without a break for 25 years. *(Hitim)*

Aswan Dam Talks Still Not Concluded

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — The protracted negotiations for financing the giant Aswan high dam construction project in Egypt by the World Bank have not yet been concluded, diplomatic sources said in London today.

They added that Britain had not withdrawn its offer to aid the first construction phase of the dam project with foreign exchange, but this remained dependent on the successful conclusions of Egyptian negotiations with the World Bank.

Speculation that Egypt has received offers of economic aid for the project from the Soviet bloc which has toughened her attitude to the World Bank terms remain unconfirmed.

Meanwhile, officials here refuse to comment on the suggestion that the delay in completing the negotiations is due to a hitch caused by Egypt objecting to the World Bank terms.

Beersheba Dresses To Greet First Train

BEERSHEBA, Wednesday. — The usually drab-beige capital of the Negev was today turned into the country's most colourful city in preparation for tomorrow afternoon's arrival of the diesel self-propelled passenger coaches — officially opening the 84-kilometre Na'an-Beersheba line.

This is the southernmost point reached so far of the line which will eventually be extended to Sdom and Eilat.

Flags were fluttering in the Negev breeze as the finishing touches were put today to the 2,500 seats prepared for the expected guests.

The Prime Minister the Minister of Transport and the Minister of Interior, among others, will be seated on a flatcar on a siding to watch the ceremonial arrival of the train.

The world congress of Keren Hayesod—United Jewish Appeal, the first world assembly to be held in the town — will be held here on April 19. Delegates from 70 countries, apart from members of the Government, the Jewish Agency Executive and representatives of the border settlements, will arrive from Jerusalem by special train on the new railway. The keynote of the congress will be "Security and the Border Settlements."

Stolen Army Jeep Chased by Police

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — A dramatic early morning police chase after a stolen Army jeep ended in the recovery of the vehicle, but the two thieves escaped.

The loss had been reported at midnight, and four hours later a police patrol caught sight of the missing jeep. They gave chase and fired warning shots but that did not deter the two uniformed young men who had taken the machine from its parking in central Tel Aviv.

Police found the jeep after a further two hours, but there were no traces of the two men. *(Hitim)*

Merhavim Police To Be Transferred

BEERSHEBA, Wednesday. — The police station at Merhavim in the Western Negev is to be transferred to the township of Ofakim after Passover. Married constables will be given permanent housing and allotments in the town which, to their great relief, will end their constant travelling to their families now living in Beersheba.

PRISONERS

(Continued from Page One)

tion to Private Migovsky, are believed to be in Syrian hands. They disappeared across the border under unknown circumstances, and while Damascus disclaims knowledge of them, there is good reason to believe that they are in Syria.

It is understood that the Government pursue its efforts to clarify the position of these men until satisfaction is received.

While the exchange is being carried out under the auspices of the Truce Supervision Organization, valuable assistance in the negotiations was given by the International Red Cross through its representative, M. David de Taz, head of the Political Department, who maintained contact both with the prisoners themselves, their families and the officials on both sides dealing with the problem.

It is understood that M. de will continue his work in helping to clarify the position of the Israelis believed still in Syria.

Although five soldiers were captured by the Syrians on December 3, 1954, only four will return. The fifth, Private Uri Ilan, of Gan Shmuel, near Hadera, was found dead in his cell little more than a month after he was taken prisoner.

U.N. observers found him lying in his cell. They were told by the prison direction that the youth had hanged himself.

A note found on his body after it had been turned over to the Israel authorities indicated that he had been told his comrades had been killed and he was awaiting trial.

To negotiations for the exchange were delayed for more than a year because of Syrian demands that certain prisoners allegedly taken during the War of Independence be returned by Israel.

These prisoners included an officer by the name of Ram el-Mas and seven drivers supposedly captured during the 1948-1949 fighters, as well as four or five others. After an intensive investigation in Israel they were found not to exist in this country.

Nevertheless, Syria persisted in ignoring the decision of the Mixed Armistice Commission of January 13, 1955 urging the release of the Israelis in Syria.

Arrangements have been made for members of the returnees' families to greet their men immediately after they touch Israel soil this morning.

Holiday Crowds Defy Showers

Jerusalem Post Staff

Pilgrims crowded the Capital yesterday, the first intermediate day of the Passover holiday, despite the heavy spring rain. Queues of Jerusalem-bound passengers in the central bus station in Tel Aviv were reminiscent of the austerity years, while taxis were scarce, with *sherut* seats going for IL3, double the usual tariff.

The day also caught a number of forgetful housewives without their evening sour cream and oranges, as shopkeepers adopted their traditional morning-only schedule for the intermediate days. Business in Jerusalem was slack, with most shoppers, after reading with amusement the holiday price tags, deciding to postpone till after the matza season all but essential purchases till the matza season.

The Defence Fund set the motif for holiday business in Safad, where IL200 was collected for the Fund through the "sale" of the grace after the meal at the Heraliya Hotel. The bidders in the auction were a group of South African tourists.

A motor derby organized by the Israel Automobile Club and Touring Association is to take place on Friday and Saturday: Cars and motorcycles will leave Jerusalem and Tel Aviv at 10 a.m. and Haifa at 10.30 and will travel in the direction of Tiberias. Prizes will be awarded on Friday night in Tiberias to those vehicles which most closely maintain the average speed assigned to the group to which they are classified.

Party for Tourists

A garden party for tourists visiting Jerusalem will be held in the Talbieh Rose Garden at 3 p.m. on Sunday. The Mayor of Jerusalem, Mr. Gershon Agron, will receive the guests. In the event of rain, the reception will be held at the Artists House, near the King David Hotel.

The Greek liner, the s.s. Agamemnon, is due in Haifa on Monday, the last day of Passover, with 60 pilgrims for a one-day stay. Another 220 pilgrims will rejoin the ship then, coming from Jordan through Mandelbaum Gate.

The Ministry for Religious Affairs has objected to the vessel being handled on the feast day, but the Ministry of Transport has given orders that she be serviced.

The 5,000 ton ship called here on Passover two years ago, on a Saturday and also for a one-day stay. She was permitted to tie up then as well, as her agents said that the schedule could not be changed in time for her to arrive on another day.

TIRES FOR THE FARM

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Wednesday. — Beginning this year, tires for all types of farm machinery, including giant rear wheels of Ferguson and International Harvester tractors, will be made by the Alliance Tire and Rubber Company, its managing director, Mr. Joseph Teicher, announced today.

The company has so far been making only a limited range of tires for farmers, and those in limited quantities. Production will now be expanded to meet all local farm demands and save the Treasury about $200,000 spent on the import of such tires.

Alliance is also preparing to begin production of automotive spare parts, beginning with those made purely from rubber. Equipment is due to arrive shortly for two new departments for the manufacture of fan belts and reinforced radiator hoses under licence from Alliance's technical parent firm, the Dayton Rubber Co., U.S.A., with the right to use the Dayton trade name on the products.

85% for Export

"Four-fifths of our output is for export. We expect these two items to yield an added value of 50 per cent," Mr. Teicher said. Manufacturers abroad usually link the sale of spare parts with that of tires, on which the profit margin is very narrow. "Our customers will no longer have to buy tires of other makes in order to get spare parts. Production of the two new departments will raise our IL7m. turnover of last year by another IL1m.," Mr. Teicher said.

He described 1955 as a test year for the company's tubeless tires whose output is steadily rising. Their chief merit is that they reduce the accident risk and do away with the puncture nuisance. Even when a tubeless tire is seriously punctured, it keeps enough pressure to bring the car to the nearest garage.

Output will increase as more late-model cars are brought into the country, as they do not fit on the regular rims of cars made before 1955. Last year, the rim became standard for all cars in America.

14 DIE IN SWEDISH RAIL ACCIDENT

STOCKHOLM, Wednesday (Reuter). — Fourteen persons were killed when a passenger train and a local goods train collided in northern Sweden today. Ten persons were injured.

Tel Aviv Busy On Shelter Building

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The construction of public shelters in Tel Aviv-Jaffa and suburbs, begun 10 days ago, is proceeding apace, while existing shelters have already been cleared out in readiness for use. All are carefully marked. Large gaping holes, representing the first phase of construction, greet the eye in a number of strategic points in town.

The budget is only sufficient for shelters where there are large concentrations of people, such as schools, cinemas, main thoroughfares and municipal institutions. Mr. S. Shoshani, Deputy Mayor, who is responsible for the town's civil defence, told *The Jerusalem Post* today.

Mr. Shoshani expressed his confidence that the first hundred or more shelters set as a target for the end of April, would be reached in time. Three building companies have been granted Municipality tenders: "A Haboneh," an association of private builders, and Solel Boneh.

Engineering Advice

Following a concentrated course on shelter construction organized by the Municipality and the Engineers and Architects Association, 120 private engineers will be available for consultation in three offices, two in Tel Aviv and one in Jaffa, for the planning and erection of private and institutions' shelters. The Municipal Engineering Department will give technical advice to all who ask for it. Mr. Moshe Amiaz, the Municipal Engineer, ran the course and is supervising the consultation offices.

All enterprises and public institutions within the Tel Aviv precincts have been asked by Haga, the Civil Defence Authority, to start building shelters without delay.

Plans for model shelters and other protective covering have been drawn up by the Municipality and distributed to 15 councils and Local Authorities in various parts of the country. Plans for shelters drafted by qualified engineers will have to be authorized by the Municipal Engineering Department. The Municipality will impose no fee on shelter licences.

Youth, 20, Remanded For Molesting Girls

A 20-year-old youth, charged with molesting young girls, was remanded for seven days by Jerusalem Magistrate Y. Weiner yesterday.

$500,000 for Law Faculty Building

More than $600,000 have so far been raised by the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University for the projected building of the Law Faculty on the new Hebrew University campus. This was stated by Mr. Bernard Cherrick, Director of the University's Department of Organization and Information, on his return to Israel from a four-month visit to the U.S. and Canada.

In Canada, Mr. Cherrick led the capital fund drive of the Friends for the Law Faculty building, and also was a guest speaker at the National Convention of Canadian Hadassah (WIZO) in Ottawa.

In the U.S. he had talks with University authorities in connection with the second one-year course for American students at the Hebrew University, which is due to start this summer. He also was one of the Israel delegates on the "Town Hall Mission" which paid goodwill visits to American communities from coast to coast.

AARONSOHN GARDEN

The Hebrew University has decided to name a part of the botanical gardens now being planted on the new University campus after the late Aaron Aaronsohn, one of the earliest agricultural scientists in this country, on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of his discovery of wild wheat in Palestine, which falls in June this year.

The garden will cover an area of 10 dunams and will contain various local plants arranged according to their families.

Six Busy New York Youngsters See Israel 'from the Inside'

By MALKA BARINOWITZ

Six bright-faced teen-agers have vacated their school desks in New York City high schools for three weeks to come and see Israel in action.

They come from a melting pot that is a match for the one they will find in Israel. Blonde Mary Cronemeyer, 17, of Bayside High School, is of a German-Irish family that has been in the U.S. since before the American Revolution. The family of 16-year-old David Henderson, a student at the High School of Fashion Industries, has lived in the U.S. for almost the same amount of time.

Latvian-born Skardite "Scotty" Malika, 18, of Theodore Roosevelt High School, came to New York only five years ago after having lived in Sweden for six years. Julio Sanchez, 18, who attends Hanren High School in Upper Manhattan, left Puerto Rico in 1948. Both Felice Samuel, 17, of Bryant High School and Robert Sugarman, 18, of James Monroe High School, are native-born Americans of East European descent. Mary and Julio are Catholics, David and "Scotty" are Protestants and Robert and Felice are Jewish.

Students' Choice

All of them were chosen to come on this workshop — the first of its kind — by the General Organization Council, a city-wide student body in New York. The workshop was the idea of the Ministry of Education which coordinated with the New York City Board of Education to bring the youngsters here.

Wherever they go, the American visitors will see Israel from the inside—local families with teen-age children will play host to them in all the major cities.

Since they arrived on Monday, the group has plunged into a crowded schedule with an energy compounded of curiosity and enthusiasm. Asked in Jerusalem yesterday about their initial impressions, they mentioned the "wonderful hospitality" and "beautiful scenery" but ruefully wished they would not be given so much to eat.

It is probable that the group will need all the strength it can muster to get through a crowded schedule. They have already met students at the Rehavia Secondary School, had tea at the home of Dr. M. Avidor, the Director-General of the Ministry of Education and Culture, met Jerusalem Mayor G. Agron and attended a musical evening at the home of composer Marc Lavry.

Within the next two and-a-half weeks they will, among other things, attend church services in Nazareth, meet the Druze of Isfiya village; tour Jerusalem corridor settlements and meet the Interfaith Scouts group in Haifa; visit the Mount of Beatitudes and talk with Foreign Minister M. Sharett; Labour Minister G. Myerson; Sheikh Tabari, the Chief Moslem Judge in Israel; Beersheba Mayor M. Tuvyahu, and Bedouin chief Sheikh Suleiman; tour the country's schools of higher learning and some of its vocational schools, attend a concert of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, and witness Independence Day celebrations.

Each of the visitors, including Felice and Robert who are affiliated with Jewish groups in New York, admitted to a very hazy picture of Israel before they got here. They said they were not frightened by war scare headlines and that their parents, in spite of mild objections, would have "wanted to come themselves."

Lively Chaperone

Chaperoning the group is lively Mildred O'Keefe, a social sciences teacher at the Mabel Dean Vocational High School in Manhatten. She said proudly that her charges "asked hosts of questions everywhere — many of them to the point" and that she herself was learning a great deal even though for the past few months she had read "everything I could get my hands on about Israel."

Other adults with the group are Mrs. Celia Sands, the only woman member of the New York Board of Education and Dr. Irving Sands. On the local end, Mr. Dan Krakoph has taken time off from his duties in the Jerusalem PATWA office to squire the group around.

The group returns to New York on April 18 armed with a colour film record of its trip here and impressions which will form the core of reports for students back home.

IL3,500 Cigarette Pay for Soldiers

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The pay of soldiers is to be raised by IL3,500 a month as from April 1 to cover the cancellation of the excise exemption on their monthly cigarette allocation. Shekem will in future buy cigarettes with an excise band at the free market price. It will, however, grant soldiers a 10 pruta reduction on oriental brands and a 15-pruta reduction on Virginia cigarettes.

The pay raise will cover the price increase of cigarettes, which at the moment cost 100 pruta for 20, soldiers receiving a monthly allocation of 20 packets.

Jerusalem Display Of Worked Olive Wood

An exhibition of furniture and handicrafts made from olive wood was opened yesterday by the Mayor of Jerusalem, Mr. Gershon Agron, at the Mendel Cohen workshops in the Tel Arza quarter. The exhibition will remain open during the Passover holidays.

Among the displays was the new door, made of solid olive wood, ordered by the city for the Municipality offices in Jaffa Road.

The Mayor, recalling that the door which is being replaced was of heavy steel to ward off attacks during the time of the Mandate, said that the handsome olive wood portal showed that the present authorities no longer feared the citizens.

Hostel for Students

A hostel for 35 Hebrew University students has been set up in "Beit Hannah" in Abyssinian Street, the property of the B'nai B'rith in Jerusalem. It was made available for the purpose through the good offices of Mr. A. Rand, Mrs. R. Rivlin and Mrs. Reubeni.

The hostel contains a number of rooms for two or three students each, as well as reception and recreation rooms. Part of the furniture was supplied by the University. The monthly rent per student is IL8.

Tale of a Car Enacted in Court

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The director of the first Israel comedy film, "Tale of a Taxi," Mr. Larry Frisch, appeared in Court today in a tale of a car and a motorcycle.

While driving at the beginning of the month, he was involved in a collision with a motorcycle. The rider who was injured bears the same surname — Stern — as one of the heroes of the comedy film.

Mr. Frisch pleaded not guilty to police charges of dangerous driving, and the hearing has been postponed until next month.

3,500 RESTAURANT and hotel employees in the Tel Aviv area yesterday decided unanimously to join the Mivtahim pension scheme of the Histadrut.

Cables in Brief

TRADE.—China has already signed trade agreements with Egypt, Syria and the Lebanon, and there are "bright prospects for her trade with these and other Arab countries, a Chinese foreign trade chief said today, according to Peking Radio.

OLD. — An Azerbaijan shepherd, Mahmud Eyvazov, has been awarded the Order of the Red Banner of Labour on his 145th birthday, TASS reported yesterday. Eyvazov who lives in a village 6,000 feet above sea level, has 23 children, one of whom is an 120-year-old daughter.

TAX. — Income tax will be raised by 10 per cent and motorists will pay an average of 8,000 francs per year under new tax proposals to increase old age and other pensions, the French Finance Minister, M. Paul Ramadier, said last night. He was speaking after a meeting of ministers had approved his tax proposals in principle.

LETHAL FOG. — About 1,000 people in Greater London (population 8,290,000) died as a result of a 3-day fog in January, a leading medical statistician reported in the "British Medical Journal" yesterday.

DAM. — The United Austrian Steel Works has secured the contract for the supply of all the steel work in connection with the building of the biggest dam in Iraq. The project is near the Persian frontier and is designed to irrigate large areas of Kurdistan, and also produce electric power.

FRENCH UNIONS SUPPORT ISRAEL

M. Raymond Le Bourre, the general secretary of the Confederation of Socialist Trade Unions, which includes the Force Ouvriere and the C.G.T., which is affiliated to the Second International, paid a formal visit to the Israel Ambassador to France, Mr. Ya'acov Tsur, and officially conveyed to him the union's sympathy and support for Israel and its solidarity with the position she has taken up in her present political struggle.

Greeks Deny Report

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Greek Government has never suggested withdrawing its *de facto* recognition of Israel in order to gain Arab support in the Cyprus issue, it is understood.

Reports that the Greek Government was thinking of doing this appeared in the Press recently. However, all Greek newspapers have published a flat denial of this, quoting a "well-informed" source which is believed to be the Greek Foreign Ministry.

France 3, Austria 1

PARIS, Wednesday (Reuter). — France defeated Austria, 3-1, after leading 2-0 at half-time in a soccer international at the Colombes stadium here on Sunday. Leblond (Rheims) scored the first goal from the edge of the penalty area after 20 minutes, and Vincent added a second, 15 minutes later. A breakaway two minutes after half time by Hanappi, brought Austria's sole goal. Two minutes later, Austrian goalkeeper Schmeid saved a penalty. Planton scored France's last goal in the 68th minute.

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STRANGE indeed are the ways of the official Soviet News Agency, TASS, and stranger still the Soviet Government policies which inspire them. On Tuesday TASS published a report from its correspondent in Athens which accused Israel of trying to increase tension in the Middle East and "perhaps begin a war." Almost at the same time as this report was being concocted and prepared for dissemination in the Soviet Union and the satellite countries, the USSR delegate at the Security Council delivered himself of an oration in which he urged that no action should be taken on the proposal to despatch Mr. Dag Hammarskjold, the U.N. Secretary General, to the Middle East on his peace mission until the Council had heard what the parties to the dispute had to say. This was a curious thing for Mr. Arkady Sobolev to do if he was really anxious to see the peace maintained.

FABRICATING REPORTS

This is not the first time in recent months that TASS has circulated completely unfounded statements against Israel. The atrocity story of a few weeks ago alleging a massacre at a Communist rally in Tel Aviv, in which the Israel authorities are said to have fired on a crowd, killing about 30 and wounding scores of others, was relayed from Cairo by the same agency and widely reprinted throughout Eastern Europe.

Such actions are symptomatic of the crystallization in Soviet policy of the new attitude towards Israel. When Russia first intervened in the Middle East last autumn by giving arms to Egypt, they had not yet become anti-Israel on principle but only incidentally. They had decided to woo the Arab states in order to penetrate this area. Now they are beginning to bring the whole cold war machinery into play and are patently using every opportunity to attack Israel, either by the malicious retailing of the wildest misstatements about her or by calculated action to paralyze the Security Council.

It is now Soviet policy to seek complete identity of action with the Arab states, even at the cost of war and devastation in the Middle East. This cynicism is hardly in time with the forthcoming peace conference in Stockholm which is being prepared with such assiduity by the Eastern bloc.

A further instance of the new line is the reference in the Athens fabrication to the Johnston Plan for the waters of the Jordan. Again Israel is accused of planning arbitrary and illegitimate action to divert the waters of the river and so cause an explosion. It is conveniently forgotten that it was the Soviet veto at the Security Council two and a half years ago which blocked any constructive action by the United Nations in this connection. It is also forgotten that from the very outset of the Johnston Plan it was the Arab states who refused all co-operation with a proposal which would have gone far to improving the whole Jordan basin and which would have helped to alleviate distress and suffering among tens of thousands of Arabs. Israel has shown two years' exemplary patience in this matter, and now to accuse her of war-mongering over the Jordan is the height of disingenuousness.

'Clean-Up' For Meah Shearim

The "clean-up" campaign in Jerusalem, sponsored jointly by the Municipality and Hovevei Yerushalayim, a civic group, has already finished its work in the Romema Industrial Zone and is now working in the Bokharan and Meah Shearim Quarters.

After Passover, the centre of activities is to shift to the centre of the city and then to the southern quarters.

Hovevei Yerushalayim has already received hundreds of complaints from residents. Each complaint is checked and sent to the Municipality for immediate action.

Point 4 Tourist Report Dwells on Accommodation

By JESSE ZEL LURIE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
NEW YORK.—

TWO large American firms were hired by the Government of Israel and the International Cooperation Administration of the United States for a Point Four survey of Israel tourism. They are Cresap, McCormick and Paget, which is among the top four or five organizations in this country in the field of management consultants, and whose clients read like a roster of big business, and Harris, Kerr, Foster and Company, a large accountancy firm with offices in seven cities, which specializes in hotel and restaurant management.

In addition to the hotel experts from the latter company, Mr. Harold B. Callis, former Senior Vice-President of the Statler and Hilton Hotels, was coopted to the team of seven experts who visited Israel for four weeks in the fall of 1955.

The survey team had the advantage of one of the first fact-finding investigations authorized by the Israel Tourist Corporation, that of the financial results of Israel hotels by the accounting firm of Braude and Company. In addition, the survey team, in cooperation with Braude and Company, compiled its own statistics on room occupancy, since Israel hotels customarily keep records only of bed occupancy. American hotels record room occupancy and the American experts wanted comparable statistics. The Israel Hotel Association, however, furnished valuable statistics on the seasonal flow of visitors, countries of origin of hotel patrons in the various classes of establishments and other matters.

Most Detailed

With all these data and this expert knowledge, it is not surprising that the section on hotels and restaurants is the most detailed and competent in this 438-page report. Had this survey been made four or five years ago, it might have saved Israel hotel investors and the Israel government, which has provided substantial loans to this industry, considerable sums invested where hotels were not needed, while other areas were neglected.

The report recommends that the Tourist Corporation prepare a master plan for the expansion of hotel facilities to accommodate the 100,000 visitors expected by 1960. The Corporation should engage two Israel architects as official consultants on hotel construction and design so that modern accommodations could by erected at a capital outlay of no more than IL15,000 a room. Detailed tables on required gross income per guest day show that when the capital outlay is more than the above figure, the hotel will operate at a loss with 75 per cent occupancy (a very high average occupancy) even at the present top rate of IL 23.750 for full room and board in high season—a rate charged, I believe, by only one or two hotels. Where land costs are not high, the one-story, motel-type units are much cheaper and just as satisfactory as the multi-story hotel. Ashkelon's Dagon Hotel, in this category, is said to have been built for about IL11,000 a room.

Tel Aviv, says the report, which now provides 40 per cent of the country's hotel accommodations and does 57 per cent of the non-resident business, needs more hotel space. The Kastel Hotel should be retained in Class B and efforts should be made to obtain a second Class A hotel, in addition to the Dan, within the city, although the report notes that there are four other first-class hotels in the Tel Aviv area including Herzlia. Steps should be taken, therefore, for the completion of the Nordau Plaza, preferably under the management of an international hotel chain.

Bringing in an international hotel group, the report states, lifts the standard of locally-managed establishments and benefits the country through the flow of business in the affiliated group of hotels. (The Hilton of Istanbul, for instance, is advertised in the lobby of the Waldorf-Astoria and the many other Hilton hotels throughout the world.)

Jerusalem does not need any more hotels. There is an implied criticism in the Jerusalem section of the wasteful expenditure of capital funds resulting in an oversupply of Class A space. The report recommends that the Kings Hotel, when completed, be operated as a Class B establishment.

In Haifa, the report says that "if the Meggido Hotel is not brought back into operation as a Class A hotel, there will be a definite need for a new hotel of at least 100 rooms." More Class B hotels will also be needed in the next few years, for which there are "attractive locations available in the Mt. Carmel area or in the beach areas to the north."

Nazareth needs more hotel space, there being only one small Grade C hotel now. "As a first step, it is suggested that very strong efforts be made to release the facilities in the hospices in Nazareth which are now being used by the Government for the temporary housing of refugees." Safed needs about two dozen more rooms of the cottage type, which "might be operated only during the visitor season from March through October."

Room in Tiberias

More hotel space is needed as part of the overall development of Tiberias, including an addition to the Galei Kinneret. It is cheaper to build additions than to start afresh and the Dagon Hotel in Ashkelon should add more units as tourist volume increases in this area.

There are at present no listed hotel facilities in Beersheba, where HIAS House, takes care of some visitors, or at Sdom and the Dead Sea. If the Dead Sea is developed as a national park, overnight accommodations will be needed. A start could be made, the report suggests, with a score of air-conditioned units. A de luxe type of resort hotel in this area, which has been under discussion, is a bit premature at present, when there is as yet no development in the Dead Sea area, the report says. As for the hotel now under construction in Eilat, the survey team felt that improvements should be made in the interior structure before it is completed, and recommended that a competent architect and hotel operator study this project "with a view to recommending any changes which are still possible at reasonable cost."

The survey team also made numerous and detailed recommendations aimed at lifting the standards of operation of hotels and restaurants. The Hadassah Hotel school should be expanded and coordinated with the small training school in Haifa now supplying stewards and waiters to Zim ships. The Tourist Corporation might send selected individuals abroad for practical instruction while several foreign technicians might be brought in for on-the-job training.

The report further recommends that the Corporation add the subdivision Class A de luxe to the Class A listings; that it issue a list of the accommodations available in hostels, *kibbutzim* and hospices; that it develop minimum standards for approved restaurants and publish a list of same; that it maintain standards of hotels and restaurants by regular inspections; that it investigate all complaints by tourists or travel agents; that it maintain stable prices; that it strengthen the industry by forming a small advisory committee of representatives of the two trade associations in the hotel and restaurant fields and the Youth Hostels Association; and that it use its influence in the government to help the industry by relieving it of burdensome taxes and duties. One of the first things the industry could do is adopt a uniform system of keeping accounts and records.

Service Poor

Service in Israel hotels and restaurants is less than adequate. The members of the survey team found it difficult to get ice water served except by special request. While it may be that only Americans are accustomed to ice water, Americans make up a large part of the tourist business. Americans, too, would prefer lighter meals at midday, and if these were provided there might be more profit to the establishment. Class B and C hotels could make judicious use of paint, draperies, flowers and more attractive furniture arrangements in their dining rooms.

The menus were, on the whole, monotonous and the food badly prepared. The non-Jewish visitor has a "natural tendency to assume" that this is the result of *kasher* cuisine. The Tourist Corporation should arrange, the report believes, for a foreign technician to improve methods of food preparation and hygienic standards.

The American experts also found that a few minor improvements in hotel furnishings would make a world of difference. Such little things as adequate light for reading in bed or for shaving in the bathroom, or a supply of writing paper and soap in the rooms and, above all, shower curtains. Using bath towels to mop up after a shower is inexplicable.

This is the third of a series of articles. The first two appeared on March 26 and 28.

Filipino Guest Fosters Friendship

Israel-Philippine Bonds strengthened by Mr. Tavanlar (left) and Mr. Ted R. Lurie, Editor of The Jerusalem Post, shown in the right-hand picture meeting H.E. Ramon Magsaysay, President of the Philippines, at the Malacanang Palace this month. Facing camera is Mr. Ernest E. Simke, Consul-General of Israel.

By ZVI HALMER

IT is difficult not to be friendly with Mr. Eligio J. Tavanlar of the Philippines. After the first handshake, one feels a sense of belonging to a select circle of intimate friends and conversation is pleasant and sincere. Mr Tavanlar is the Land Settlement Consultant of the World Veterans Federation and is visiting Israel to study how new immigrant townsfolk become farmers. He is the guest here of the Israel Association of Jewish War Veterans.

Tavi, which one calls him after a very short time, is visiting the Middle East for the first time and although he knows many of Israel's leading ex-servicemen, does not pretend to have any knowledge of the politics of the area. He does not want it to be thought that he takes sides in the Israel-Arab conflict, where he is "strictly neutral" but asks questions at every opportunity, trying to get to the bottom of the enmity between the nations.

In his own country, Mr. Tavanlar is no stranger to politics, being one of the small group of persons who were behind the campaign which elected President Magsaysay of the Philippines. He is a personal friend of the President and an independent-minded but staunch patriot.

It takes quite some time to get used to the fact that this youthful looking man will reach his 50th birthday in December and that in 1952 he began a three-year course at West Point, the U.S. Military Academy. He interrupted his military career to study engineering at Yale University and gained a degree in agronomy. During the Japanese occupation of his country, the small, inoffensive looking farm expert went underground and fought with the guerrilla forces until the liberation of the islands.

The need to rehabilitate the many Filipinos who had suffered in the war, led to land reform plans by the rising progressive forces in the Philippines, so that more families would become farmers and develop the many thousands of unused fertile acres with which the islands are blessed. A "Town to Country" movement was inaugurated and Mr. Tavanlar was chosen to direct it.

Speedy Settlement

One of the things which amazes him about this country is the speed at which newcomers are settled in farming communities.

"We do not have to bring the people from outside the country and our land is not desert, yet we settle only between 6,000 and 8,000 a year," he said. "During all my visits to Burma, Thailand, India, Ceylon, Indonesia and Malaya, I have seen nothing like the tremendous job you are doing here."

Mr Tavanlar suggested that Israel should be able to help the Philippines in the way that it had begun to assist Burma, "because all our problems are similar and you have gained considerable experience in land settlement." He hopes that he will be able to make some suggestions during his stay here which may enable Israel experts to learn from his wide experience in other Asian countries.

A family man with four children, the visitor is anxious to learn something of the social side of Israel cooperative villages, although he does not expect that they can be copied in his country. He is touring the new development areas, as well as established settlements and spent the *Seder* night at Ramat Yohanan.

Like most of the world's ex-servicemen, "Tavi" hates war. "That is why settling people on the land is so important," he explained. "By giving people the chance to earn their living on their own land you bring peace to the individual and that is the way that peace can be promoted in countries and between countries." It was with that idea in mind that he helped President Magsaysay, then Defence Minister, to defeat the threat of Communism in his country. An announcement was made that any of the 120,000 Communist guerrillas who were not guilty of murder, would be given a farm and a house if they surrendered, and the Government would help them to settle successfully.

"We removed the economic and social insecurity which was the source of the discontent and thereby removed the discontent itself," says "Tavi" with a smile, as if the whole operation had been as easy as the telling of it.

Mr. Tavanlar will make many friends during his short stay here and will do much to bring the two peoples closer. He already has in mind the themes of two articles about Israel which he is going to write for the "Philippines Free Press Weekly."

South Africa Flouts U.N.

By COLIN LEGUM

LONDON (OFNS).—

ONCE again, a question relating to South-West Africa is being considered by the International Court at The Hague, which has in the past given extensive consideration to the dispute between the United Nations and South Africa over the former mandated territory of South-West Africa.

After World War II, South Africa was the only country that refused to transfer its mandated territory to the new Trusteeship Council for supervision. Annually for nine consecutive years the United Nations has solemnly passed a resolution calling on South Africa to fulfil its international obligations. With rather less solemnity, South Africa has each year told the United Nations to mind its own business.

Nursing its injured dignity, the United Nations a few years ago set up a special committee on South-West Africa to try to create the necessary goodwill to persuade South Africa to adopt a more cooperative attitude. But this decision has only created greater ill-will.

Last year, a rather innocent young Herero tribesman walked into the United Nations Headquarters in New York and asked that he might report to the committee on the conditions in his homeland. Since South Africa has persistently refused to allow the Herero and other African leaders to leave their country, while at the same time refusing to allow any United Nations emissary to visit South-West Africa, it might have been assumed that the committee would gladly listen to the young petitioner, even though his credentials were not impressive.

But the committee's legal mind (mainly the representatives of other Mandatory Powers) spun a web of procedural thread so thick that in the end the only possible escape for the committee was to appeal for the help of the International Court.

Could it say whether young Africans, like this particular Herero boy, may give oral evidence before a United Nations committee? Anybody can submit written evidence. Experts or authorized spokesmen can give oral evidence. It was in the latter category that the United Nations fourth committee has often listened to the Rev. Michael Scott, who has championed the cause of the Africans of South-West Africa for nine years. He is attending the Court's session.

But nobody is sure whether it is legal for an ordinary person with no particular qualifications to be heard, even though the committee would like to hear what he has to say.

It is to settle this important principle that the International Court has been summoned to meet.

YESTERDAY'S PRESS 90 Sessions Too Many

THE present Security Council session, writes "Lamerhav" (Ahdut Ha'avoda) is no different from the 90 that preceded it. The reason given for summoning it, "to consider the matter of honouring the Armistice agreements," would not be there had the Council addressed itself to that problem in its 90 preceding sessions; the chances are that its present deliberations would be superfluous.

"Hatzofe" (World Mizrahi) writes that there are signs that there is a feeling of satisfaction behind the scenes in the Arab world at the American move to summon the Council, though on the face of it the Arabs have been urging a delay. The deliberations will give them more time to complete their preparations while the despatch of the Secretary-General and the delaying of a clear-cut decision mean new political dangers for the State of Israel.

"Herut" wonders why, in light of the fact that Mr. Johnston is not coming shortly, as the Prime Minister had supposed, and that the Arabs (Jordan) have now rejected the Johnston water plan without reservation, the order is not given to go ahead with the diversion of the Jordan. Is the Government waiting until it will be too late? In this the paper is supported by "Hapoel Hatzair" (Mapai).

In a second leader, "Herut" writes that Israel's public relations machine should lose no time in getting into stride with the mooted candidacy of Harry Truman, who has proved a staunch friend of Israel, for the U.S. presidency.

"Kol Ha'am" (Communist) calls the workers to get together at once and frustrate the Manufacturers Association's refusal to negotiate wages with the Trade Unions as well as the Mapai decision to claim one-third less than has been laid down by the unions. It reminds the workers that they have great potential strength and hints that strikes yield results.

Readers' Letters

DANCE MUSIC

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — One of the brighter spots of recent radio has been the Air Force band under Erich Teich; a sparkling little outfit which supplied the only "live" dance music worth listening to, which was doled out in meagre enough rations. Why then must this single precious half hour every week or two be cluttered up with "guest artists," vocal trios (oh dear!) and the like?

After the riotous reception accorded to Lionel Hampton and the resounding success of both Tony Crombie and Benny Bennett, very little doubt can remain in anyone's mind as to the demand for dance music in this country. May I ask that Kol Yisrael reconsider its attitude towards good dance music, considering that otherwise it may find its listeners tuning in more and more to foreign stations?

Yours, etc.,
S. KRISS

Jerusalem, February.

Kol Yisrael Replies

Your correspondent's complaints refer to programmes broadcast by Galei Zahal. Nevertheless, we should like to use this opportunity to list a few of Kol Yisrael's programmes of dance music, which are broadcast regularly: Monday at 11 p.m. (recorded requests); Tuesday at 11.30 p.m. gramophone records; and Saturday 10.30 p.m. (gramophone records). In addition, live dance music is provided by a quartet in our weekly programme, "Owls and Grins."

By the way, Kol Yisrael cancelled quite a few music programmes in order to relay performances by Lionel Hampton, Tony Crombie and Benny Bennett.

Yours, etc.
SHABTAI PETRUSHKA
Assistant Director of Music
Kol Yisrael

Jerusalem, March 5.

KEREN MAGEN

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The publication of a "black list" of those who have allegedly avoided contributing to the Defence Fund has shocked people of common sense and of some taste for fairness and decorum.... At the beginning of the campaign, the response to the emergency call was spontaneous and no protest was raised even where salaries and wages were taxed in spite of the terrific burden of taxation. The methods applied by the compilers of the "black list" are totalitarian methods and they will certainly not raise, but rather lower, the morale of potential contributors to the Fund.

Yours, etc.,
RICHARD LAUFER

Tel Aviv, March 16.

(Other Readers' Letters in a similar vein have been received by The Jerusalem Post — Ed.)

PEN FRIENDS

THE PAN ASIA MASTHEAD ASSOCIATION, P.O.B. 1333, Tokyo C., Japan, is an association of about 600 young men and women who are interested in collecting mastheads (the name of the paper on Page 1) of newspapers of various parts of the world. They seek persons interested in a mutual exchange of mastheads.

RENSO VAN BERGEN, 17, of 58a Huiserweg, Bussum, Holland, wishes to correspond with a boy or girl from Israel. He works in an office and is particularly interested in art, and some sports.

At the Cinema

DIRECTOR Elia Kazan has made an unusually interesting film out of certain episodes in Steinbeck's well-known novel, "East of Eden" (Orion, T.A.). He has concentrated on that part of the story which deals with the young sons, Caleb and Aron, and their relationship with their father, Adam Trask, and with Abra, the girl who is engaged to Aron but loves Caleb. Kate, the evil figure who dominates the novel, appears only briefly but in a telling manner.

The picture is notable for the remarkable acting of James Dean as Caleb. His recent death is a great loss to the film world. He makes a three-dimensional figure out of Caleb, wild, resentful and suffering under the lack of a father's love, a performance that remains with the spectator long after he has left the cinema. Julie Harris, despite lack of looks, is convincing as Abra and gives a sensitive performance. A thoughtful picture, well worth seeing.

S.W.

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Obtainable everywhere

Alkosh Celebrates Tobacco Festival

By YESHAYAHU ASHNI

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Famous and renowned
For its tobacco.

Its aroma is pleasant
Its savour is sweet
Its colour is light
And it breathes the charm
of Galilee

THESE were the plain and unpolished but proud verses that the little girl with the tobacco crown on her head recited when she presented the Minister of Finance with a pack of tobacco leaves at the ceremony that marked the fourth anniversary of the settling of the village of Alkosh in Western Galilee this month.

There were quite a few other speeches, but the procession of children with garlands of tobacco leaves on their heads, dressed in robes embroidered in tobacco leaves, told the story of Alkosh much better. The people of the village have harvested 40 tons this season, for an income of IL85,000 from this crop alone.

A colourful Alei Tabak Company poster displays the photographs of three villagers, each with a short legend:

Ramish Shmuel, of Alkosh, grew four dunams of tobacco and obtained an average yield of 111 kgs. to the dunam. The total harvest was 435 kgs.: the farm's net income IL1,044.

Shlomo Levy, of Alkosh. He grew three-and-a-half dunams of tobacco, obtained 128 kgs. of good tobacco per dunam. Total harvest 448 kgs., which brought in IL1,089.856.

Hassan Salem Yehia of Mochar Amka grew two dunams of tobacco and achieved a yield of 145 kgs. Each dunam brought in IL369.400, IL359.200 from just two dunams.

This is the answer of the country of Alkosh, from which the prophet Nahum sprang, to the efforts of Israel's new citizens, immigrants from Kurdistan who came here only four and five years ago.

The manager of the Alei Tabak company and the director of the Jewish Agency's Safad District office both stressed that it had been the Minister of Finance who had convinced the area's residents that it was worthwhile to grow tobacco there, and then made sure that the necessary aid was extended to them. In his answer, Mr. Eshkol said:

"I should have liked to invite to this ceremony the representatives of the great Powers and of the United Nations, so that they might find out for themselves what Israel is doing.... Many nations in the world have a great deal to learn from the settlers of Alkosh. If we could have invited the Arab rulers here... perhaps they would stop polishing up their swords and learn from us how to develop their neglected resources for the good of their peoples."

There was one participant who did not speak, but whom no one had forgotten — Yitzhak Hochman, aged 56, the district tobacco growing instructor, the man to whom goes most of the credit for the success of tobacco growing in Alkosh.

"I was born in tobacco," he told me later. It was his life's work in Russia, where he was born, and it took him to the Kirghis Republic, where he devoted five years to it before he came to this country. Now he advises the farmers of ten Galilee villages on how to grow their tobacco: those who follow his suggestions have achieved excellent results.

Only Three Seasons

Modern tobacco growing in this area dates back to 1952, the year Yitzhak came to it. He found primitive cultivation methods that yielded just a little over one ton of tobacco for the entire district. The 1955 crop was 55 tons.

"At Safsufa," he says, "this year's crop was excellent. The villagers haven't been here long, but they follow instructions. The people of Tarshiha have been here longer than the farmers of Alkosh, but they followed the obsolete methods of their Arab neighbours, so their crop was worse."

He talks about tobacco with the enthusiasm of a *Hasvid* about his own particular Rebbe, points out that results could improve even more, especially in this part of Galilee, whose light red soil and climate are ideal.

At present, the tobacco is dried in the open air, Yitzhak points out, and since it absorbs at night some of the moisture which it has lost in the sun during the day, the process takes longer and affects its colour and its aroma. The drying period could be reduced to 20 days with the proper sheds, which would pay for themselves quickly.

All Ages Work

One of the advantages of tobacco, Yitzhak adds enthusiastically, is its utilization of manpower. Children as well as elderly persons can be profitably employed in planting and picking.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, Nissim Eliahu, the Chairman of the Alkosh Council, handed the Minister of Finance a cheque for IL 1,180 for the Defence Fund. He told of Alkosh's other achievements — over 700 dunams of orchards and vineyards have already been planted. Now, he stressed, the village should be given the additional help it is entitled to—faster land clearing, inclusion on the mobile post office route, a regional council, and electricity.

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MARGINAL COLUMN

By GEORGE LEONOF

THE Stalin affair still offers almost unlimited ramifications. So-called experts on Soviet affairs, publicists and commentators of every hue have felt, by the very nature of their trade, duty-bound to comment on this confusing but obviously important historical development rather sooner than they felt conscience-bound to understand it, and the result has been a veritable cacophony of reasoning. In this maze of tangled interpretations, commentators often contradicted themselves in their anxiety to keep up with the relentless ticker-tape of the journalistic stock market whose quotations soared from "no real change" to "veritable counter-revolution," and whose uninhibited predictions allowed both for the possibility that Lenin's embalmed corpse would be deprived of the cheerless companionship of Stalin's mummy and for the eventual canonization of Trotsky's unpreserved remains.

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THE taciturnity of Soviet Communist Party leaders on the subject has lent rumour wings, of course. Mr. Khrushchev's speech to the party congress a month ago, which is said to have listed Stalin's sins in detail, though still unpublished has become as famous as the Unknown Soldier. Perhaps it is just as well to remember that most accounts of Mr. Khrushchev's speech are, like an inverted pyramid, delicately balanced on a pinpoint of fact and may topple in any direction. It may also help to recall that the present Central Committee's emphasis on "collective leadership" and condemnation of Beria at least by implication renounced the "personality cult" almost immediately after Stalin's death, while gradual attempts to soft-pedal idolization of the dead dictator became perceptible shortly after his funeral.

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IF it has taken so long for the party to denounce Stalin the Man, it is perhaps because Communism cannot afford to dispense with Stalin the Marxist for fear of undermining some of the foundation pillars of the Communist doctrine to which he seems to have made considerable theoretical contributions for all his arrogance and vanity. Among other things, it is Stalin who is credited with the theory that it was possible to build a socialist society in a single country, and with the basis on which the nationality question — with the tragic exception of the Jewish nationality — was solved in the Soviet Union. The period of three years which was allowed to elapse before the party decided to launch a frontal attack to reduce Stalin's self-canonized figure to mortal proportions is not unusually long, and could be attributed to the general principle by which most states keep their government archives padlocked from public view for arbitrarily set periods, sometimes as much as half a century, and in many cases long after there are valid reasons to withhold their publication.

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THE party's decision to explode the Stalin myth in the midst of the very generation taught to venerate him obviously contained the danger of backfire, and did not lack boldness. Marshal Bulganin and Mr. Khrushchev must be fully aware that the Russian mind is quite capable of questioning the role played by the present leadership, including themselves, under Josef Stalin. What prompted the leadership to break the "Stalin story" at this time is not clear, for it is conceivable that the party could gradually have moved away from the undesirable aspects of Stalinism without washing its dirty linen in public. Only strong pressure from within the party itself to clear the atmosphere, and perhaps the real threat of serious dissention can explain the drastic decision at a time when Soviet prestige seemed to be on the upgrade.

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IN this connection it would not be surprising if there were some connection between this determined attack on the "Cult of Personality" when there is no such "personality" on the horizon, and the recent incident involving Foreign Minister Molotov, who a few months ago publicly recanted his view that no more than the "basis of socialism" has been built in the Soviet Union. It is just possible that Mr. Molotov was among the important members of the Communist Party who were known to maintain that no socialist society could countenance the arbitrary decisions taken somewhere at top government level, who were firm advocates of democratisation of party procedure and resentful of the dictatorial rule of the past two decades. None of these men, who inwardly rebelled against this arbitrariness, seem to have identified it with the name of Stalin, and the impression created was that the responsibility lay with an unidentified dictatorial clique within the Central Committee. If, after Stalin's death, this group insisted on disassociating itself from earlier decisions, it might explain both the presentation of an "Old Guard" Bolshevik like Mr. Molotov and the current revelations.

Jerusalem, March 28.

Iceland Votes For Withdrawal Of NATO Troops

REYKJAVIK, Wednesday (Reuter). — The Iceland Parliament today passed a resolution calling for the withdrawal of NATO troops. American servicemen are stationed at an air base at Reykjavik.

The resolution called for a revision of the 1951 treaty permitting the stationing of foreign troops in Iceland. The action followed the resignation of Premier Olafur Thors yesterday after a split in the Cabinet on this issue.

The Progressive Party left the Government which it had formed with the Premier's Independence Party, and today voted for the Parliamentary resolution with the Social Democrats, the left-wing, isolationist National Defence Party, and the Communists.

The present Government will remain in office as a caretaker Cabinet until June.

Meanwhile, in Paris, the Supreme Allied Commander in Europe, Gen. Alfred M. Gruenther, said that NATO was "working on a shoestring." In a speech to SHAPE correspondents, he said it was not possible at present from the military viewpoint to reduce the term of military service in the West.

The mass methods of World War II were inadequate, but the West still needed mobile forces of smaller formations which could disperse quickly and create a shield against aggression. "We are holding Europe with less men than we had in 1944 and 1945," he added.

The General said the West could explain why the Soviet Union has 170 divisions, its allies 75 divisions, and why the Soviet Union had 20,000 operational aircraft, most of them jets. But the West could not explain why the Soviet Union had 400 submarines. "The submarine is a hot war weapon. Last year the Soviet Union built more submarines than any nation in the free world. SHAPE must continue to remind political authorities that Soviet military power is increasing," he said.

Egypt, Syria Request Details of U.S. Plan

UNITED NATIONS, Wednesday.—Egypt told the U.N. Security Council today that she was prepared to work hand in hand with Mr. Dag Hammarskjold, the U.N. Secretary-General, in his fact-finding mission to the Middle East, as envisaged by the American resolution now before the Council.

The Egyptian representative, Omar Lutfi said, however, that his delegation would require clarification as to the mission itself.

Speaking after him in the debate, Syria's Ahmed Shukeiry also posed a series of questions, declaring: "To be successful, this mission of the Secretary-General must be crystal clear from the very start." Syria welcomed a survey of the extent of compliance with the Armistice Agreements and past Council resolutions, he added.

But he stipulated that the U.S. must clarify just what it plans to have Mr. Dag Hammarskjold investigate and how far his survey will go into political, economic and financial aspects of the Israel-Arab problem.

Syria 'Sensitive'

Shukeiri added: "We are justified to be exceedingly sensitive in our reaction to international documents. We should not forget that the problem of Palestine is the outcome of ambiguous declarations and obscure instruments."

Earlier, the U.S. declared there were no hidden meanings behind its proposal that Mr. Hammarskjold be asked to undertake a survey of the tense Middle East.

Mr. Henry Cabot Lodge, the U.S. representative, said the proposal sought:

Firstly, prompt action in the face of a "gravely worsening situation," and

Secondly, to indicate certain steps which the Secretary-General might take to carry out the provisions of the Armistice Agreements.

"No one will deny that unless the Armistice Agreements can be effectively carried out a threat to the peace may result," said Mr. Lodge.

Noting "certain remarks" made to him since the last Council meeting, Mr. Lodge said the U.S. draft had seemed to be "so simple and clear that there could be no misunderstanding as to our intention."

Vote Next Tuesday

Mr. Lodge said he trusted the Council would be able to vote on Tuesday next.

It was agreed on Monday that there would be no vote today on the resolution, and the Council is expected to adjourn till next Tuesday, after the Easter holidays.

President Sir Pierson Dixon of Britain opened the session by inviting representatives of Israel, Egypt, Syria, Lebanon and Jordan to take seats at the conference table. The Israel Ambassador, Mr. Abba Eban, was in Washington to confer with Secretary of State Dulles about Israel's arms request and Israel was represented here by Mr. Arthur Liveran, First Secretary of the Israel U.N. delegation.

(Reuter, UP)

Intense Diplomatic Activity in Cairo

Col. Salah Gohar, Director of the Palestine Affairs Department of the Egyptian War Ministry, left Cairo by air last night for U.N. Headquarters to advise the Egyptian delegation during the Security Council debate on the Arab-Israel border tension.

The Syrian Government, meanwhile, was reported to be sending a military observer to attend the Council debate. The decision was taken, it was said, because of the proviso in the U.S. draft resolution for the withdrawal of both Arab and Israel forces from the armistice lines.

The official Government spokesman in Damascus last night explained that under this action, only the Syrians would be forced to withdraw, because the Israel troops would "hide themselves in the well-fortified Israel settlements," posing as civilians and thereby gaining an "unfair strategic advantage."

Nasser Sees Kisselev

In Cairo, there was much diplomatic activity in connection with the U.N. Council debate. Premier Abdul Nasser conferred with the Soviet Ambassador, Mr. Evgeny Kisselev, while the American Ambassador, Mr. Henry Byroade, met with Foreign Minister Mahmoud Fawzi. Mr. Byroade also saw the British Ambassador, Sir Humphrey Trevelyan, and was scheduled to speak to other Western and Arab diplomats last night.

Reports from Paris said the Egyptian Ambassador, Kamal e-Din Nabi, yesterday called on Premier Guy Mollet at his own request. The Prime Minister's Office and the Egyptian Embassy declined to reveal what was discussed at the interview.

(Reuter, NEABS)

Stalin Did 'Serious Harm' To Soviet Cause, 'Pravda' Says

MOSCOW, Wednesday. — Two national newspapers, "Pravda" and "Red Star," today joined the great Communist attack on Stalin's "Cult of Personality," while a third, the local "Moskovskaya Pravda," called for a more intensive campaign to explain criticism of the dead leader.

"Pravda," the Communist Party paper, blamed Stalin for establishing a total one-man dictatorship. It said that while he undoubtedly rendered great services, especially to the party and the international labour movement in the years after Lenin's death, he did "serious harm to the cause" by supporting and encouraging his own glorification.

(Observers in Moscow regarded the "Pravda" article as the opening shot in a vast public propaganda campaign to destroy the illusion of Stalin as the architect and genius of the Soviet state. This was the first time the personal qualities of Stalin came under attack in print. The attack was seen as an indication that the unmasking of Stalin was now moving closer to more sensitive areas hitherto not discussed publicly.)

"Pravda's" leading article discussed Stalin's record in a review of the resolution in favour of collective leadership passed by the Communist Party Congress.

Lacked Modesty

It said that Stalin, "lacking personal modesty, did not cut short these glorifications and praises addressed to him. He supported and encouraged them in every way." His "disregard of the standards of party life" and his "frequent personal decisions" led to distortion of party democracy, "violation of revolutionary law and unjustified repressions."

The exposure of the "Beria gang" by the party after Stalin's death had made it possible to restore Leninist principles and led to an "unprecedented upsurge of activity." There were still "quite a few lickspittles and sycophants" to be eliminated, it was added.

The article in the Defence Ministry organ, "Red Star," by Col. V. Yarovikov, answering readers' questions, did not name Stalin, but said the cult of personality had fettered the development of science, including Soviet military science. Vital creative thoughts found no place in print, and "the idea that an outstanding hero and miracle worker could run the whole country inevitably gave rise among the masses to a spirit of passivity and lack of confidence in their creative powers."

The "Moskovskaya Pravda," today gave a picture of how party agitators have been mobilized to explain the down-grading of Stalin. It said that more than 1,000 propagandists in one district alone attended a one-day seminar organized by the local party committee to study the results of the 20th Party Congress.

(Reuter, UP)

Anglo-Soviet Amity Vital—Malenkov

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — Mr. Georgi Malenkov saw democracy in action in the Commons here today and told a gathering of members of parliament that friendship between Britain and the Soviet Union was the key to world peace.

The Soviet Minister for Electric Power Stations sat in the distinguished strangers gallery for 20 minutes listening to Members question the Government about a variety of subjects, mainly motoring and transport. Earlier, he had lunch in the Commons as guest of the Labour Party's Anglo-Russian Committee, and told members, "We desire friendship between our country and Britain and we believe this is the basis of peace."

He added — presumably meaning America — that Russia, however, did not want to drive a wedge between Britain and any other country.

Mr. Malenkov laughed heartily when Mr. Julius Silverman, Chairman at the lunch, said to him, "We do not approve of all your political methods any more than we expect you to approve of all ours. You shatter your political idols — we bury them in the House of Lords."

Britain Not Behind

Speaking in the House of Lords last night, Lord Reading, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, said Soviet Russia will not find the British Government "hanging back in any degree" if a real improvement in international relations becomes possible.

He was replying to a debate on the international situation in which peers had criticized the visit to Britain next month of the Soviet leaders, Marshal Bulganin and Mr. Nikita Khrushchev.

Lord Reading said the visit had come at a most opportune moment unforeseen at the time the Prime Minister issued his invitation. It was evident a change was going on in Russia today, he added, whether it was called a change of heart, of outlook or, as he preferred to call it, a change of position.

Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd said today that 14 security guards would be included in the Soviet delegation coming to Britain next month with Marshal Bulganin and Mr. Khrushchev. He told the Commons it was normal practice to allow visiting delegations to include such members as they wanted. He did not say whether the guards would be armed.

Arabs Must Recognize Israel, Reuther Says

NEW YORK, Wednesday (UP). — The American labour leader, Mr. Walter P. Reuther, said today that peace in the Middle East depends upon Arab recognition of Israel's right to exist.

"How can you negotiate peace with your neighbour if you don't recognize his right to be?" the President of the United Automobile, Aircraft and Agricultural Implement Workers of America (UAW) asked at a news conference.

Mr. Reuther plans to leave New York on April 2 for a 12-day visit to India.

"I believe the answer to the problems of the Middle East, as in most of the world, must be found in the area of struggle for economic, social and political justice. The dictators of the Arab countries will not permit free labour to grow," he said.

He suggested that the U.S. Government should tell the Arab governments that they must permit economic freedom in order to receive American help. Unless Arab countries allow the economic and social struggle to go on, there will be "one palace revolution after another. The price of political blackmail gets higher and higher in that game. In the Middle East we are fighting a power game and no one can win that struggle."

NO WAR IN M.-E., CAFFERY SAYS

NEW YORK, Wednesday (INA). — Mr. Jefferson Caffery, former U.S. Ambassador to Egypt, told reporters yesterday on his arrival from Rome that he did not believe that war between Israel and the Arab states was inevitable.

He said that Premier Abdul Nasser is irrevocably pledged to improve the living standard of the Egyptian peasants, and that expenditures necessary for war would wipe out the opportunity to improve Egyptian agriculture and cause the fall of the Egyptian Government.

USSR Likely To Accept Ike's 'Open Skies'

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — Russia has included in her new world disarmament plan a provision for the possible acceptance of President Eisenhower's "open skies" scheme to minimize the risk of surprise attacks, an authoritative source said tonight.

This is the first time that the Soviet Union has acknowledged the President's aerial inspection project in a formal document, the source added. Western delegates to the five-nation disarmament talks today closely questioned Mr. Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, about the new plan he tabled yesterday.

American sources said the Soviet provision for the President's scheme — first put at last year's Geneva "summit" conference — contained many reservations. But they were still optimistic about the prospects of the talks here.

No Decision in Paris

In Paris, an important meeting of Cabinet Ministers presided over by Premier Guy Mollet, failed to agree about whether France should abandon her right to make atom bombs. Another meeting on the subject will be held tomorrow. The issue threatens to split France as did the question of renouncing her military sovereignty in favour of a European army two years ago.

In his Government programme the Premier included an undertaking that France would join a six-nation supra-national body to be called Euratom which would pool the atomic resources of the six nations and would undertake to make atom energy for peaceful purposes only.

Foreign Minister Christian Pineau, Minister of State Mendes-France, Defence Minister Bourges-Maunoury and Minister of State Jacques Chadan Delmas, a leading Gaullist, are strongly opposed to the Euratom proposal because "France cannot stay a big power without the atom bomb."

British Gov't Plans Malta Integration

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — The Government announced today in the Commons that it is going ahead with legislation to integrate Malta with Britain.

Sir Anthony Eden said that legislation would give effect to recommendations of a British all-party round table conference on Malta. One of these is that Malta should send three representatives to the Commons.

The Prime Minister said the part of the bill relating to Maltese representation in Parliament would be brought into operation "only if and when the Maltese people have shown their desire for it in a general election following a dissolution of the Maltese General Assembly."

Replying to questions, Sir Anthony said the Government intended to pass the bill through all its stages before a general election takes place in Malta.

Premier Dom Mintoff of Malta tonight hailed the Government's "momentous decision" to integrate Malta, as representing the best solution of the Mediterranean island's "problem in the great tradition of British freedom."

'Illegal Arrests' Hit By E. German Premier

BERLIN, Wednesday. — The Premier of East Germany, Otto Grotewohl, today attacked despotism in state organs, accused the Justice Department of making illegal arrests, and said the nation's collective leadership was to be strengthened.

In a four-hour speech to the East German Communist Party conference, Grotewohl said the Chief Prosecutor, Dr. Ernst Melsheimer, had been ordered to "report on his methods" to the Cabinet. He complained that local justice authorities were still taking action not based on law.

He cited as examples that people at Havelberg, near Berlin, had been refused potato deliveries unless they helped in the potato harvest. At another place people had been fined if they declined to work special "reconstruction shifts."

In future the Chief Prosecutor's office must see that strictly legal methods were carried out, he said.

PINEAU TO VISIT U.S. IN JUNE

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (INA). — Foreign Minister Christian Pineau of France is preparing to visit here in June to discuss with President Eisenhower and Secretary of State Dulles the question of the Israel-Arab conflict and other problems in which France has been involved, according to French Embassy sources here.

Bulganin Hails Accord on Morocco

MOSCOW, Wednesday (Reuter). — Prime Minister Marshal Nikolai Bulganin has sent a telegram to the French Prime Minister, M. Guy Mollet, congratulating him on the signature on March 2 of the joint Franco-Moroccan declaration of independence for Morocco, TASS said today.

President Klimenti Voroshilov has sent a telegram of congratulation to the Sultan of Morocco.

French Navy Joins Algeria Offensive

ALGIERS, Wednesday (Reuter). — Naval commandos and Foreign Legionaires who landed on the Algerian coast last night in the first combined operation against the rebels, were today scouring the wooded foothills of the Condesmendou range for rebel food and arms dumps.

Fourteen rebels were killed in the operation, which introduced new tactics into France's "killing drive" against Algeria's 15,000 well-armed rebels. Rebel dead throughout Algeria in the past 48 hours totalled 59.

The commando operation was expected to be the first of many. The rebels control several stretches of isolated coast which can best be attacked from the sea. Premier Guy Mollet has announced that the French navy will operate from Algerian ports in order to back up the drive to exterminate the rebels.

Above Tlemcen in the extreme west of Algeria, French forces were using their latest and most effective anti-rebel weapon, helicopter-borne commandos, against a band of about 100 rebels who attacked a French patrol. Rebel losses were believed to be high, but no figures were yet known.

In Algiers, the encouragement among Europeans caused by the all-out anti-rebel drive was somewhat offset by the lack of an announcement from Paris that reservists were to be recalled to the colours to provide reinforcements for Algeria. Yesterday's meeting of the French Council of Ministers had been widely expected to take a decision on recalling reservists.

Reports from Tunis today said the vast anti-rebel operation in the Matmata mountains in the extreme south of Tunisia had cost rebel tribesmen 250 dead so far. About 700 rebels had been surrounded by over 3,500 French troops supported by tanks, artillery and aircraft. The rebels, split up by the attack, were now reportedly trying to regroup.

USSR to Build Nuclear Laboratory in Egypt

NEW YORK, Wednesday (INA). — Four Russian experts will arrive in Egypt soon to direct the establishment of a nuclear laboratory, Associated Press reported today from Cairo, quoting Mr. N. I. Milnikov, head of a Soviet technical mission visiting the Arab states.

He also said that Russia has concluded an agreement to build grain stores, oil tanks, and a cement factory in Syria.

Libya Rejects Soviet Economic Aid Offer

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (UP). — Libya has turned down a Russian offer of economic aid, a Libyan Embassy spokesman said today. He said the decision was made known to members of the Libyan Parliament by Premier Mustafa ben Halim at a closed session.

Russia recently offered technical assistance and loans but Libya did not say immediately whether she would accept the Soviet aid. The United States has been supplying Libya with economic help since she attained her independence in 1951.

SYRIANS, SAUDIANS TRAIN IN EGYPT

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (INA). — Syrians and Saudi Arabians are learning the use of new Soviet weapons in Egypt, according to the military agreement between the three countries, reports received here quoted Damascus Radio as announcing.

MAY DAY DEVOTED TO SETTLEMENT WORK

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — First of May celebrations will be on a local scale only this year. Assemblies will be held after working hours on April 30, and the international workers' holiday itself will be devoted to helping border villages and other settlements, according to a unanimous decision taken tonight by the Central Committee of the Histadrut.

5 Israelis Expected Back Today in Swap with Syria

Army Returns 41 Syrians

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Five Israelis are to be returned by the Syrian authorities this morning. All have been prisoners for more than a year, throughout which fruitless attempts were made to secure their release.

Now Israel and Syria are to exchange prisoners at 11 a.m. at B'not Ya'acov bridge on the border, south of Lake Hula. Israel will return a total of 41 men. The five Israelis due to be returned are Segen Meir Moses, Samal Meir Ya'acobi, Samal Ya'acov Lind, Samal Gad Kastelanetz and Mr. Shlomo Ben-Yehuda.

The first four were taken prisoner in Syrian territory on December 8, 1954. M. Ben-Yehuda, of Rosh Pina, was kidnapped by Syrians on August 15, 1954, while engaged in spraying swamps in the Hula region against malaria-carrying mosquitoes.

Israel will return 35 Syrian soldiers, including one officer and a cadet, and six infiltrators who have completed their prison terms.

The 35 were captured in two operations carried out by the Israel Defence Forces. Five were taken prisoner on October 22, 1955, four days after Syrians kidnapped Private Yehoshua Migovsky, near Kibbutz Gonen.

Thirty Syrian soldiers were seized in the action on December 12 when Israel forces cleared newly-placed gun positions on the east banks of Lake Kinneret that were threatening fishermen on the Lake.

The exchange is taking place in accordance with the Security Council resolution of January 19, which was passed in connection with the December 12 operation. Paragraph VIII of that resolution called on Syria and Israel to arrange with Maj.-Gen. E. L. M. Burns, Chief of Staff of the Truce Supervision Organization, an immediate exchange of all military prisoners.

Private Migovsky is not among those to be returned. The Syrian authorities disclaim any knowledge of his whereabouts. During the protracted negotiations leading up to the exchange, Israel made repeated representations regarding the soldier, and presented information in her possession regarding him, but the Syrians insist that he is not in their hands.

Despite the fact that the Security Council resolution called for the exchange of all military prisoners, the two sides agreed to exchange civilians as well. Thus Mr. Ben Yehuda is returning in exchange for the Syrian infiltrators.

The exchange agreement received Government approval at its meeting in Jerusalem on Sunday.

Several more Israelis, in addi-

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Ghazi May Quit In Syrian Gov't Crisis

Premier Said el Ghazi of Syria formally notified President Shukri el Kuwatly on the latter's return from Egypt earlier in the week of his intention to resign. He left it to the President to act on his decision but there has been no further action to date, according to NEABS yesterday.

The Syrian Cabinet crisis became more acute with the resignation yesterday of Justice Minister Muneir Ajlani, who quit because he could "not fulfil his duties under the present circumstances."

Discontent among the various political factions within the Government had worsened recently. Trouble has been brewing within the Government ever since President Kuwatly two months ago announced the decision to establish an emergency "national political front" in which all political parties and factions would sink their differences temporarily in order to face the "Israel danger." Repeated negotiations to bring this about have failed completely.

Workers Strike

More than 5,000 workers of the Iraq Petroleum Company in Syria have gone on strike, halting the flow of oil through the two pipelines crossing Syria to Tripoli in the Lebanon and the Syrian port of Banyas, NEABS reported yesterday.

Meanwhile, a resolution calling for betterment of the conditions of Arab workers and freedom for trade unions in all Arab countries, was adopted by the first All-Arab Trade Union Congress which was concluded in Damascus.

13 Britons Fired From Arab Legion

A Royal decree issued in Amman on Tuesday night terminated the services of 13 British officers in the Arab Legion holding the rank of brigadiers, colonels and majors, "El Jihad," the Old City paper, reported yesterday.

The former Jordan Defence Minister, Farhan Shubeilat, has been appointed as the first Minister to Bonn, "Falastin" reported yesterday.

Other changes in Jordan's foreign service include the appointment of the Director-General of the Foreign Ministry Baha e-Din Toukan as Ambassador in London, Dr. Yousef Heikal's transfer from London to Paris and the recall of Ihsan Hashem from Paris to act as Director-General of the Foreign Ministry.

EGYPTIANS FIRE ON ISRAEL POSITION

Egyptian forces twice opened machinegun and mortar fire yesterday morning on an Israel position in the vicinity of Nitzana, the army spokesman announced last night. The Israel position returned the fire. There were no Israel casualties.

A Cairo Radio report last night claimed that the "engagement" lasted three hours and that the Israel forces had not yet completed a count of their dead.

Jordan River Water Tunnel Viewed by Tahal Workers

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAZARETH, Wednesday. — About 2,000 Tahal workers filed through the Eilabun tunnel today—nearly a kilometre long and cut through a hill bordering on the Beit Natufa valley—a part of the future Negev irrigation plan. The visitors also came to hear Mr. S. Blass, head of Tahal, address them on this occasion.

The tunnel, begun in January, 1955 is now complete. A miniature railway line used for the construction, runs through the tunnel now but work will start shortly on the concrete pipe, two-and-a-half metres in diameter, which will be laid in the tunnel and through which the water will flow.

Some 16,000 workdays and IL500,000 went into the construction of the tunnel, which starts in the middle of Eilabun village. It was built to eliminate the need to raise the Jordan waters over the hills that surround Beit Netufa valley, part of which will ultimately serve as storage reservoir for the Jordan waters on their way to the Negev.

From a grandstand perched on the hilltop, the Tahal workers, many of them with their families, heard addresses by the Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Kadish Luoz, and Mr. Simha Blass, Government advisor on water problems. Good wishes were also delivered by the Orthodox priest of Eilabun, Arab villagers of Eilabun, some of them on horseback, joined the audience which was brought from all over the country in scores of vehicles, including over a dozen buses. Despite drizzling rain, there was a gala atmosphere resembling a derby day or cup final.

Among those present were the Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Zur, Mr. Y. Duvdevani, General Secretary of Mekorot, and Mr. A. Wiener, Tahal chief engineer.

Water to Negev

"In a few years' time, water from the Jordan in the North will flow to abundant and thirsting land in the Negev," Mr. Blass declared.

Scepticism, obstacles placed in the way of the plan by the Mandatory authorities, and budgetary difficulties were among the hurdles which had to be overcome, he said. Israel had never been an irrigated country, and new ways had to be found. But it was only with the establishment of the State that it became possible to carry out the 142-kilometres irrigation project.

The Jordan River was a vital artery for the country. With most of the Jordan channel already dug and a small part concreted its water will flow in a channel into the tunnel, and then southwards into the Beit Netufa valley, from where it will run through giant pipes and through two further tunnels yet to be constructed.

The main line will end at Plugot in the South, and then branch out to irrigate the Negev lands. It will be boosted by a network of reservoirs collecting local floodwaters.

Not Only Planning

Mr. Blass declared that he had intended at this celebration to announce his resignation, because of the decision to wind up the Tahal Works Department and to transfer it to Mekorot. He believed the work of Mekorot to be of great merit, and Histadrut participation in it essential, but he did not think that Mekorot should have sole control of Israel's water projects.

If Tahal were to be a planning agency only, the work would suffer and the best water engineers would not remain with it. In its Works Department, Tahal had in no way competed with Mekorot, but entered new fields, such as the construction of reservoirs. Mr. Blass noted that the Prime Minister had now undertaken to review the situation, and he had accordingly promised to postpone his resignation.

"We may have to spill blood for the water," Mr. Looz declared, "and though we strive for peace, we are firmly prepared to fight for our water if necessary." He described the digging of the tunnel as "a great event" and paid tribute to Mr. Blass.

Father el Huri Markos Muellem of Eilabun conveyed greetings to the Government and Tahal. "I am happy that my village was permitted to participate in the work," he declared in Arabic, "and I hope that it will also share in the irrigation waters."

Accord on $7m. U.S. Aid to Jordan

An agreement on the distribution of more than $7m. U.S. aid to Jordan was reached in Amman last night, NEABS reported.

A total of $2.5m. will go towards technical aid, a similar sum to a road-building programme, and $1.2m. for soil conservation projects.

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Social & Personal

The Foreign Minister and Mrs. Sharett entertained to luncheon yesterday Mrs. Mary Segal, Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Wohl, Mr. and Mrs. Moss Morris, Mr. Solly Yellin, Dr. and Mrs. Yona, Carpas, Mr. and Mrs. Haim Radaj, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jacobson, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lourie, Mrs. Beatrice Zion, and Mr. Reuven Dafni. On Tuesday, First Day of Passover, Mr. and Mrs. Sharett entertained to tea Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Becker, the Mayor of Jerusalem and Mrs. Agron, Mr. and Mrs. Moshe Kol, Dr. Dov Joseph, M.K. and Mrs. Joseph, Alut Mishne Haim Herzog, Prof. and Mrs. M. Ben-Ari, Dr. and Mrs. Yigael Yadin, Dr. and Mrs. Leo Kohn.

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The Minister of Transport, Mr. M. Carmel, yesterday gave a reception at the Eden Hotel for M. Robert Levy, Director-General of the French Minister of Transport, who is staying at the hotel.

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Superior Court Judge and Mrs. Stanley Mosk, of Los Angeles, were received yesterday by Mrs. Golda Myerson, the Minister of Labour, in her office. In the afternoon, they visited Dr. Dov Joseph at his home.

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The Mayor of Jerusalem, Mr. Gershon Agron, and Professor Benzion Dinur, former Minister of Education, are to open an exhibition of Jewish bookplates at 3.30 this afternoon at the Printers Association Club, Itchov Hebron, Jerusalem.

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Dr. Silver was the guest yesterday at a reception given by the Manufacturers Association in Tel Aviv. Rabbi Silver, who is a member of the Board of Governors of the Hebrew University, and Mrs. M. Segal, of Cape Town, visited the University yesterday where they were received by its President, Professor B. Mazar.

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Mr. Leslie Levens, founder of the Marguerite Society in London, and Mrs. Levens, were the guests of honour at a reception by the Israel Anti-Tuberculosis League at the President Hotel on Tuesday. Dr. Z. Avigdori, President of the League, presided. Among the guests were the Guatemalan Minister and Mrs. Granados.

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Mr. Yosef Kokia, Director-General of the Ministry of Justice, gave a luncheon yesterday in honour of Judge H. Fisher, Mr. G. Kotin, Mr. S. Leaf, and their ladies. Among those present were Supreme Court Justices Cheshin and Agranat, Mr. Colin Gluckman, the State Attorney, Mr. S. Rosenne, Legal Adviser of the Foreign Ministry, and their ladies.

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The Zim Company held a reception aboard the s.s. Israel yesterday for Mr. Jacob Hecht, of Basle, Director of the Neptuna Co. and the Rhenania concern.

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A reception was given this week by Messrs. Dan and Dr. Raphael Ben-Dor, Architects, in honour of Dr. and Mrs. Jacob Hecht of Basle. Among those present were the Foreign Minister and Mrs. Moshe Sharett, Dr. and Mrs. Dov Joseph, Dr. Reuven Hecht, founder and Director of the Dagon Co. (Silo), Haifa, and Mrs. Hecht.

ARRIVALS: Rabbi Menahem Porush, leader of Agudat Yisrael, from the U.S.; Mr. Leon Kibrick, Editor of the Argentine daily, "Jewish World," as a guest of Keren Hayesod.

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DEPARTURE: Mr. Gershom Schocken, M.K., and editor of "Ha'aretz," to Europe for a month's vacation (by T.W.A.).

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Dr. S. Sarel, Lecturer in Pharmaceutical Chemistry at the Hebrew University, has been appointed Director of the Department of Pharmaceutical Chemistry at the School of Pharmacy of the Hebrew University - Hadassah Medical School.

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Dr. Ya'acov Arnon has been appointed Inspector of Diamonds by the Minister of Commerce and Industry. He replaces Mr. A. Arnfeld.

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The Haifa Rotary Club has elected Mr. A. Rosenfeld as its President for 1956-57; Mr. F. J. Banda is past president; Mr. F. Loewy Hon. Secretary; Mr. M. Rowe, Hon. Treasurer; Mr. R. Chaikin, Hon. Asst. Secretary; and Messrs. A. L. Chissick, D. Freeman, L. Rabinowitz and Dr. I. Iskovitch, directors.

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The officers elected at the recent meeting of the Jerusalem Branch of the Hitahdut Olei Britannia are Mr. Z. Wineberg, Chairman; Mrs. T. Silman and Mrs. M. Louvish, Vice-Chairman; Mrs. M. Louvish, Hon. Secretary, and Mrs. D. Shutzkin, Hon. Treasurer.

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Professor A. Tiselius, 1947 Nobel Prize winner for chemistry and Nobel Foundation Board member, is to lecture in Jerusalem on April 5 on the Principles and Practices of the Nobel Foundation. For invitations, interested persons may write to Mrs. Y. Wolfsberg, Hon. Secretary, Israel-Sweden Friendship Association, 27 Rehov Ben-Maimon, Jerusalem.

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M. Jean Perrot is to speak on "Les Impressionistes et leur Epoque" (with slides), at 9 o'clock this evening at the Centre de Culture Francaise, Jerusalem. M. Marcel Laforge, French Consul-General, will preside.

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Mr. Robert Shaw, conductor of the American chorale and orchestra society now touring Israel, is to speak on "Some Meanings of Music" at the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary Club luncheon at Z.O.A. House at 1.15 today.

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"At Home Tonight," in the Jerusalem Wizo Shop will feature a Negev Evening including: Jewellery from the mines of King Solomon, Coloured Slides—Beersheba to Eilat, Recorded talk by Prof. Nelson Glueck, Archaeology in Israel, and Spring Fashions in Negev Linen, followed by slides showing the Faces and Hands behind Wizo Home Industries. Tourists and Residents of Jerusalem are cordially invited at 9 p.m.

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OBITUARY

Mrs. Ruth Luba Weidenfeld

The death has occurred in Jerusalem of Mrs. Ruth Luba Weidenfeld, beloved mother of Meira and Yohanan Bein. The cortege will leave the Sha'arei Zedek Hospital, Jerusalem, today at 12 noon.

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME

482, 249, 33.3 & 49.8 M.

News: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 1.30, 7.00, 9.00 & 12.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 8 a.m., 2.15 & 5.45 p.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercise. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 9.00 Close Down.

12.00 N. Programme for Factory Workers (Haifa). 12.30 Housewives' Corner. 12.50 Requests (R). 1.45 Excerpts from Operas on Biblical Themes by Rossini, Verdi, & Saint-Saens. 2.30 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Siesta. 4.30 Weekly Summary: Mishna Yomit. 4.45 "Musical Miniatures." 5.00 Child Corner. 5.15 Youth's Programme. 6.45 Bible Reading. 7.15 Farmer's Corner. 7.30 Press, please. 8.00 Piano Recital by Frank Peleg. Mozart: Variations on a Theme by Paisiello. K. 398 Castelnuovo-Tedesco: "The Stories of Jesus"—Suite. 8.30 "The Train Comes to Beer-Sheba." 9.15 Mozart: Piano Concerto in C. K. 503, played by Arieh Sarnesak and the Kol Yisrael Orchestra, conducted by Georg Singer. 9.50 Programme by Shmuel Rosen. 10.30 "Musical Echoes." 10.45 Light Music. 11.00 "Owls & Grins" — Yitzhak Shimoni. 12.10 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

467, 440, 428, 416, 41.8 & 32.5 M.

English News: 1.45, 10.15 p.m.

French News: 2.00 p.m.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR (32.7, 24.9 & 469 M.): 5.30 p.m. Programme for Yemenites. 5.45 Ladino—Hebrew Lesson. 6.00 Light Music. 6.30 French. 7.00 Yiddish. 7.30 Ladino. 8.00 Turkish. 8.15 News in Easy Hebrew. 8.30 Rumanian. 9.00 Close Down.

ARAB HOUR LAOOLA (32.3 M.): (Fourth Africa Programme): 6.30 p.m. News. 6.40 Newsreel. 6.55 "News on the News."

11.15 p.m. News. 11.25 Newsreel. 11.35 "Song of Songs" Oratorio by Mark Lavry.

ARMY PROGRAMME (441.6, 283, 238 & 202 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 "Tunes with Vocalchords." 7.00 News. 7.10 "Appointment with a Composer" — Menahem Avidom. 7.30 "For your Information"— D. Behimi. 7.45 Classical Requests. 8.30 Light Music Quiz. 9.00 News. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW PROGRAMME (463.9, 31.48, 25.53, 25.31 M.): 4.30-5.00 p.m. News, News Talk, Echoes from the World.

British Protest Cairo's Propaganda to E. Africa

CAIRO, Wednesday (Reuter). — The British Embassy here has taken up with the Egyptian Government at various levels the question of Egyptian anti-British broadcasts in Swahili to East Africa, an Embassy spokesman said last night.

Repeated representations had been made in the last 10 days. The British Ambassador, Sir Humphrey Trevelyan, had seen Foreign Minister Mahmud Fawzy about the broadcasts.

LAW REPORT

The Jerusalem Post March 29, 1956

In the Supreme Court Sitting as High Court of Justice

Before Justices Agranat, Silberg and Goitein.

Eliezer Brandwein, Petitioner, v. Director of Prisons and Dr. Benyamin Halevi, Respondents (H.C. 19/56).

Judge's Resignation is Revocable

In a habeas corpus application the petitioner, Eliezer Brandwein, claimed that he was being illegally detained in Ramle prison, since the verdict, as a result of which he had been imprisoned, had been delivered by the President of the Jerusalem District Court, Dr. Benyamin Halevi, at the time when he was not a judge, having resigned from his position. The petitioner, who appeared on his own behalf, stated that Judge Halevi had tendered his resignation to the Minister of Justice on December 24, 1953 and had withdrawn it at the end of January, 1954, but that this revocation did not reinstate him in his former position. The petitioner claimed that Judge Halevi had ceased to be a judge three months after the date on which he had submitted his resignation, basing this proposition on section 16 of the Judges' Law, 1953, which states:

"A judge may resign his office by submitting a letter of resignation to the Minister of Justice; his tenure shall end upon the expiration of three months from the submission of the letter of resignation, unless the Minister of Justice had consented to a shorter period."

The Attorney General, Mr. Haim Cohen, who was invited by the court to show cause why the petition for habeas corpus should not be granted, based his objections on two main arguments: (a) that from the provisions of section 16 it was clear that two criteria were necessary before a judge's tenure of office came to an end: he had to tender a letter of resignation, and three months should expire after the date of his resignation. As long as the second criterion was not fulfilled, he was at liberty to withdraw his resignation; (b) Alternatively, even if the resignation were irrevocable, Judge Halevi's verdict was not open to collateral attack on the part of the petitioner.

The High Court rejected the petitioner's application on February 24, 1956, the day of the hearing, reserving its reasons.

Decision

Justice Agranat, in giving the decision of the High Court, concentrated mainly on the question whether the legislature had intended granting a judge who submitted a letter of resignation three months respite in which to reconsider his decision and withdraw his resignation; or whether, having once submitted his resignation, a judge's tenure of office automatically ceased after three months and he was precluded from revoking his resignation.

Having considered the question in detail, with reference to English and Scottish law and precedents, the Justice concluded that a distinction must be drawn between a provision of the law which says that "resignation shall take effect" after three months, and that which says that "tenure of office shall end upon the expiration of three months." He would not hesitate to say that in the first instance all that was required was that a resignation should be submitted for the operation to b complete and irrevocable. But in the second case (i.e. as in the case of section 16) it would not be sufficient for an office-holder —in this case a judge—merely to express his intention to resign in a letter to the Minister; he would also have to serve for three months from the date of this expression of intention, before his tenure of office came to an end. This meant, in effect, that until the period of three months was over, the resignation was incomplete and could therefore be revoked.

In order to strengthen this conclusion, analogy could be drawn from the English and American principle that, if the resignation of an office-holder is dependent on the acceptance or approval of his superior, then as long as this acceptance or approval has not been given—i.e. as long as the final step towards completion of the resignation has not been taken—the resignation is revocable; but once this approval has been given, then the resignation is irrevocable, even though the time at which it is to take effect has not arrived.

Public Interest

Furthermore, Justice Agranat held that another consideration in support of the conclusion reached with regard to the interpretation of section 16 was the common law rule that a public officer accepts a burden which, in the interests of the community and of good government he is bound to bear, unless there is an explicit provision in the law which allows him to lay it down; or, alternatively, his voluntary resignation is accepted by the appointing power. This attitude towards public office, he continued, applies equally, or even more so, to judges. If therefore the Israeli legislature gave judges the privilege of resigning from office without the consent of the appointing power and, presumably, against the interests of the public, demanding only that two criteria be fulfilled, a judge must be entitled to avail himself of his right to repent before the second of the two criteria had been fulfilled. As to the counter-argument that the interest of the public demands that there should not be a state of uncertainty, he was sure, said Justice Agranat, that granting a judge three months in which to change his mind about his intention to resign was not a high price to pay at the expense of certainty. On the other hand, a necessary proviso to the principle that a person who wishes to rectify a mistake should be at liberty to do so, must be the condition that in the meanwhile no new rights have intervened. In the present case, no new judge had been appointed to take Judge Halevi's place, and the application of this provision was therefore unnecessary.

Justice Agranat then distinguished the case of a resigning judge from that of a resigning municipal councillor whose resignation, it was held in the Kafr Kamma case (H.C. 164-54, P.D. 9-106) is irrevocable.

Validity of Resigning Judge's Acts

Despite the fact that his decision with regard to Judge Halevi's resignation was sufficient reason for refusing the *habeas corpus* application, he continued, he would nevertheless deal with Mr. Cohen's alternative argument, viz. that the verdict could not be attacked collaterally. He then quoted extensively from American authorities and precedents in order to establish the principle that the official acts of a *de facto* judge are valid and binding, at least as far as the public and third persons are concerned, and are not open to collateral (indirect) attack, a principle established as a matter of public policy and necessity for the protection of the public.

Justice Agranat then defined a *de facto* judge in detail and applying this definition, held that, even if the High Court had decided that Judge Halevi's resignation had been irrevocable, he would still, at the time he passed judgment on the petitioner, have been acting with colour of right and he would still have had the reputation amongst the public of being entitled to exercise the judicial functions which he assumed, functions recognized by law. In short, he would still *de facto* have been a judge, and the petitioner could, therefore, not appeal against the verdict solely on the grounds that the Judge's tenure of office had ceased.

Habeas Corpus petition dismissed.

Reasoned decision given on March 25, 1956.

Ayanot Farm School Marks Semi-Jubilee

Jerusalem Post Reporter

REHOVOT, Wednesday. — The Ayanot Agricultural High School today celebrated its 25th anniversary. Instead of staging re-union festivities for its 2,500 alumni, the school donated IL1,000 to the Defence Fund.

A new compound containing class rooms and laboratories was dedicated today by Mrs. Chaim Weizmann. The compound is named after her husband, the First President of Israel, who was a devoted friend of the institution.

"The country should hold its own against the monopolizing of culture by the town," the school principal, Dr. Moshe Atidya, told Wizo and the Working Women's Council delegations who assembled at the School for lunch.

It was a fallacy, perpetuated by Second Aliya veterans that a farmer must resemble outwardly and spiritually the impoverished muzhik of their country of origin. The future of Israel depended on a healthy and well-educated agricultural society, Dr. Atidya said.

Ayanot was established by a group of 10 young women who felt the need for a training centre for the women farm workers, Miss Ada Maimon said. She was one of the group and is still the School matron. There are now 320 boys and girls in the school.

A PUBLIC advisory committee to assist provident and pension funds in making safe, worthwhile investments has been appointed by the Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol.

Yiddish Theatre Star Takes to Hebrew

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The well known Yiddish operetta star, Max Pearlman, is to make his first appearance in "Money, Money, Money" a Hebrew-language show opening at the Do-Re-Mi Theatre on Saturday night. He has spent the last two months learning his part in his "new" language, Mr. George Val, General Manager of the theatre, told the press today.

Mr. Val said that the Negro singers, Babe Wallace and Virginia Capers, would also feature in the show, which is an adaptation of the story of a young man who has to spend a million dollars in a given time in order to inherit a further $7m.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

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TEL AVIV: Moichadski, 7 Ben Yehuda, 23570. Reitblatt, 19 Nahlat Binyamin. Mosbkovitz, 25 King George, 62680. Lollender, 76 Arlosoroff, 26813. Marcahi, New Marcahi Qtr., 67887. JAFFA: Varsano, 3 Rehov 262, 81782. RAMAT GAN: Ramat Gan, 21 Bialik, 73514. RAMAT YISHAK: Haithkon, 26 Matithon, 71940. PETAH TIKVA: Balkin, 40 Horevai Ben. BINYON LEZION: Sirakhilevitz. REHOVOT: Hanegev, 196 Herzl, 346.

HAIFA: Fein, 31 Joseph, 6014. Shomron, Cor. Bank-Jaffa, 6934. KIRYAT MOTZKIN: Pesi'anem. NAHARIYA: Naharlya. HAFAD: Feldman.

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HAIFA: Dr. Sharon, 67 Herzl, 2377. Dr. Sharman, 3 Masaryk, 2054. Dr. Ludvig, 24 Shivat Zion, 60427.

Truman Doesn't Want To Be President

KANSAS CITY, Wednesday (Reuter). — Former President Harry Truman said last night he would attend the Democratic National Convention, but repeated that he has no desire to be President again.

"I am honoured that the Democratic leaders in Missouri have nominated me for delegate at large at the convention. However, Missouri delegates have been pledged to Senator Stuart Symington —and while that is all right with me — I would prefer to go to the convention free to talk to all candidates and delegates."

Mr. Truman will leave on Friday for New York to address the annual award dinner of the Overseas Press Club.

Drinks on Ike's Train Said Not Poisoned

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, West Virginia, Wednesday (Reuter). — The State Hygienic Laboratory at Charleston today rejected a theory that poisoned ginger ale was served on the train on which President Eisenhower travelled to his summit meeting here with the President of Mexico and the Premier of Canada.

A probe was ordered when three persons were taken ill after drinking the ale on a journey from Huntington, West Virginia, to Washington last Thursday. The drinks were placed aboard the coach in which Mr. Eisenhower travelled to White Sulphur Springs for his meeting with President Adolfo Cortines and Mr. Louis St. Laurent.

NY Daily Worker Sealed, But Still Comes Out

NEW YORK, Wednesday (Reuter). — The "Daily Worker," whose offices were raided and sealed yesterday in a coast-to-coast swoop on Communist Party property, appeared as usual today. The edition printed last night carried a large headline, "Our Office Seized—Here we Are."

It was printed by a private contractor in the same building as its editorial offices. The staff, meanwhile, searched for new accommodation to continue to prepare copy for the tabloid-size newspaper.

Targets of the raid by Treasury Department agents were Communist property in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, San Francisco, and Los Angeles. The crack-down took the Communists completely by surprise. They protested that the action was "outrageous, Gestapo-like, lawless, infamous."

In Chicago, Mr. Emanuel Blum, an alleged Communist leader, was arrested last night and held on $20,000 bail. The F.B.I. said he had been charged with the violation of the Smith Act, which makes it illegal to conspire to overthrow the Government by violence.

The New York District Director of the International Revenue Department, Mr. Donald Moyser, was called to Washington today, apparently to explain his action in ordering seizure of Communist Party headquarters in several cities and of the "Daily Worker" offices for alleged unpaid taxes. It was assumed the call came from the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Mr. Russel Harrington.

Mr. Harrington was at first unable to make a statement about yesterday's raids on Communist Party offices. Asked if the raids could have been made without his permission, Mr. Harrington said later, "I guess I have to take responsibility for them."

In the raids, treasury agents snapped padlocks on the newspaper and Communist Party offices in the five cities. It was said that the Party had owed $389,265 in income taxes for 1951 and the "Daily Worker" $46,049 for 1951, 1952 and 1953.

INDIA WINS IN DAVIS CUP

COLOMBO, Wednesday (Reuter). — India defeated Ceylon by five matches to nil in an Eastern Zone first round Davis Cup match yesterday and qualified to meet Japan in the next round.

Kuc 1st, Zatopek 3rd in Race

PARIS, Wednesday (Reuter). — Vladimir Kuc, the leading Soviet distance runner, won the International Cross Country race over 10,000 metres on Sunday.

Emil Zatopek, the Czech Olympic champion, winner of this race for the past two years, could finish only third. Kuc clocked 29 mins. 54 secs., to finish nearly 6 seconds ahead of Jerzy Chromik of Poland, the world's fastest 3,000 metres steeplechaser. This is the third successive time the lanky Polish runner has been second in the annual event.

Chromik's time was 29: 58.4 secs. Zatopek returned 30 mins. 3 secs., to finish six seconds in front of Poland's Zadislaw Kryszowiak, who was fourth. Kuc's victory completed a Russian double. Earlier the Soviet world 800 metres record holder, Miss Nina Otkalenko, won the women's cross country race over 2,500 metres, her third successive win in the event.

Kuc, 13th last year, set a fast pace from the start, and by the end of the first lap of 2,000 metres held a lead of 5 secs. over Zatopek. The Czechoslovak ace clung grimly to second place on the second lap, though under pressure from Chromik. But the Pole gradually wore down Zatopek. By the end of the lap Chromik had moved up to second place, 9 secs. behind Kuc. Otkalenko won her race in 7 mins. 1 sec. Two other Russian girls, Miss Anna Lapchina and Miss Dona Koslova, were second and third.

PORTUGAL BEATS TURKEY 3-1

LISBON, Wednesday (Reuter). — Portugal defeated Turkey — recent shock winners over Hungary — by 3-2, in a soccer international, watched by a crowd of 14,000 in the National Stadium here on Sunday. Portugal led 1-0 at half time.

Turkey lost a chance of taking the lead in the first minute, when, from a corner, by outside left Khardi, centre-forward Metin headed the ball against the crossbar. Inside-right Vasques put Portugal ahead in the 32nd min. when he received a high pass in the goalmouth and breasted the ball into the net.

Portugal went two up in the 47th minute through a hard ground shot by centre-forward Matateu, and the same player made it 3-0 with a similar shot after 78 minutes. Outside-right Isfendyar got Turkey's only goal two minutes from the end. Turkey beat Hungary, 3-2, in Istanbul last month.

France and Hungary drew 1-1 in an international "B" soccer match in Budapest, the same day. Both goals were scored in the second half.

FROM TOMORROW, the offices of the Defence Fund in Tel Aviv will be at 41 Rehov Lilienblum, telephone 67807/8 and 67760.

Where to go

JERUSALEM

• Exhibitions:—
1) Dutch and Flemish 17th Century Paintings. 2) Paintings by Maurycy Gottlieb. Exhibit of Month: Illuminated Sephardic Passover Haggadah (14th Century). Bezalel, 9-1, 2-6.

Permanent exhibition at the Department of Antiquities. Temporary: Finds in Caesarea. 9-1, 2-6.

1) Jerusalem Artists Spring Exhibition. 2) Applied Arts and Crafts. Artists' House 10-1, 4-6.

The Rina Gallery, 13 Princess Mary Ave., (entrance Rehov Yonai) presents an ideal opportunity for the tourist to see the best in Contemporary Israel Art

Cinemas

JERUSALEM

At 3.30, 6.30 and 9.30 p.m.

ARNON: To Hell and Back. 5th week.
EDEN: It's Always Fair Weather
EDISON: Immortal Melody.
ORNA: The Dark Avenger.
ORION: Courtesan of Babylon.
OROEL: Modern Times. 2nd week.
RON: Tale of a Taxi. 2nd week.
STUDIO: Roman Holiday. 2nd week.
ZION HALL: The Country Girl. Matinees: 3-Ring Circus.
TEL OR: Carnival Story.

TEL AVIV

At 3.30, 7.15 and 9.15 p.m.

ALLENBY: Love is a Many Splendoured Thing. 3rd week
ARMON DAVID: Innocents in Paris.
CHEN: Conquest of Space.
EDEN: Awara. 2nd week.
ESTHER: Rose Marie.
HOGRABI: Battle Cry. 5th week.
OPHIR: "Papa, Maman, la Bonne et Moi." 4th week.
SHDEROTH: Spellbound.
TAMAR: Not as a Stranger. 4th week. Matinees: When I Grow Up.
TCHELETH: Picnic. Also at 10.30 a.m.
ZAMIR: "La Vie d'un Homme Homme." 5th week.
ORION: East of Eden.
YARON: Too Bad she's Bad.

HAIFA

ORION: Sea of Sinbad.
ATZMON: Jupiter's Darling.
PEER: Take of a Taxi.
GAL OR: Gilda.
ORAM: White Christmas. 2nd week.
AMPHITHEATRE: Carmen Jones.
ORLY: "J'avais 7 Filles."
ARMON: Modern Times. 2nd week. Matinees: Hansel and Gretel.
EN DOR: The Recers.
MORIAH: The Sheep has 5 Legs
MAY: Helen of Troy. 2nd week.

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All creditors of the Corporation are hereby required within fifteen days hereof, to send their names and addresses and the particulars of their claims or debts to the undersigned at P.O.Box 5, Herzliya, after which date no further claims or debts will be received.

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Pop. Loans:	
1949/50 (IL10)	98½
3½% Tavel Dollar 1977	90½
4% Comp. Loan 55/67	65½
3½% War Loan 55/58	89½
2½% Gov. Bds. (large)	90½
4% Reg. Sterling "A"	90½
4% Reg. Sterling "B"	90
Pal. Power Bds. Ser. 2	93½
5% Lionel ord.sh.	2000
A.F.P. Investm. ord. sh. "B"	1000
Gazit ord. sh. "B"	95
Elbom's Inv. ord.	254
P.E.C.Inv.ord. "B" h.d.	99½
Gen. Mortg. Bk.ord.sh.	72½
Discr 6% debs.55/65	99
Mtr 6% Debs.(bearer)	93½
5% pref. sh.	99½
Pass 6% debs.49/65 rez.	99½
"Tavor" 5% debs.	82½
I.I.D.C. ord.sh. rez.	105
5% debs.	94
Afr. Pal. Inv.ord.sh.	70½
Bancco 6% pref.ord.sh.(4)	98½
Pal. Potash 6%pref.sh.	203½
"A" ord. shares	90½
Pal.Elec.pref.sh.(1.42s)	264
6½% P.E.C.Debs.57/66	102½**
Mahanot pref sh.	72½
Ata ord. "B" sh.	113½
5-9%con.debs.	92½
"Hardaseh"ord. "B"	116
7%con.debs.59/68	91
Heller-Dan ord.sh.rez.2	80½
Pal.-Brewery 5%con.sh.	93
Assis Bejerano "B" sh.	113½
"Tuv" ord. sh. (1)	104
Mother 6% debs. "A"	107
Pal. Cold 6½, 7% debs. ord.sh.rez.(full div.)	132
Pal. Constr. Tr. 5% debs	304
	96½

Notes: a) purchasing price; b) selling price; c) ex-coupons; d) ex dividend; e) ex right; x) in % of IL1,000; v) 15.6./15.12; * Dollar ** Index.

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HAIFA: Oneh, Sun., April 1, 8.30 p.m.
HADERA: Hof, Wed., April 4, 8.30 p.m.
BEIT YITZHAK: Beit Ha'am, Thurs., April 5, 8.30 p.m.
KIRYAT HAIM: Beit Ha'am, Fri., April 6, 8.30 p.m.

This week at the Jerusalem
Y.M.C.A.
March 29:
Maundy Thursday Communion
Service at 8 p.m.
March 30: Recorded Music "St. Matthew Passion," by J.S. Bach, with Holy Land scenes, at 8 p.m.
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Today's Postbag

THE WEATHER

FORECAST: Partly cloudy to cloudy with occasional showers.

	A	B	C	D
Mt. Canaan	66	9	11	9
Tiberias	81	9	23	22
Haifa Port	64	13	19	15
Natanya	66	10	22	21
Tel Aviv Kirya	69	11	20	20
Tel Aviv Port	70	13	18	15
Lydda Airport	69	8	19	17
Jerusalem	57	6	11	9
Beersheba	64	11	17	12
Eilat	75	14	24	23

*A) Humidity at 2 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maximum yesterday D) Maximum temp. expected today.

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ALL RATION CARD coupons marked 1-120, which were in effect from September to February, are now null and void. Consumers should destroy these coupons in order to make things easier for shopkeeper and consumer alike. The invalidation of coupons is announced every month on the ration list to be found at every retailer.

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28 CYPRIOTS have booked tickets through the Cahana Theatrical Agency in Jerusalem for the Easter Sunday performance of sacred music, to be given at the Y.M.C.A. by the Robert Shaw Chorale. They will make the trip especially from Cyprus to hear the Chorale.

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THE CONTRACT turning the Jerusalem Municipal water pipeline over to the Mekorot Company will be formally signed by Mayor Gershon Agron at 10 this morning at a ceremony at a pumping station on the Tel Aviv-Jerusalem road.

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A BOOKLET on metal technology in Arabic for the use of Arab pupils in vocational schools has been published by the Vocational Education Department of the Ministry of Labour... **A SECOND** group of pupils, numbering 51 men and women, recently began sewing, metal work and carpentry courses at the Nazareth Vocational Education Centre.

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A NEW TOWER for the Talbeh mosque in the Little Triangle area was recently dedicated in the presence of many Moslem leaders. New towers are being planned for other settlements in the area.

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THE APPRENTICESHIP Council has decided to recommend to the Minister of Labour that three additional trades, general metal working, metal construction and engraving, be declared trades requiring apprenticeship.

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THE NUTRITION DEPARTMENT of the Ministry of Education and Culture has moved its offices in HaKirya. Its new address is: HaKirya, Jerusalem, near the Post Office. The telephone number is 3136.

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THE CARMEL bakery in Haifa has been fined IL150 by a Magistrate's Court for baking during prohibited night hours, an offence against the Labour Law regulations... **FOR NOT** putting up a safety shield around a band saw, the Mitkan cooperative machineshop in Ra'anana was fined IL35.

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THE MAXIMUM PRICE for Valencia oranges for the consumer has been set at 200 pruta per kilogram (150 pruta for the retailer). In Jerusalem, the South and the North, an additional 10 pruta per kilo has been permitted. The prices of Jaffa oranges and grapefruit remain unchanged at 135 pruta per kilo for the consumer.

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THREE LITTLE girls from Kiryat Yam, near Haifa, were taken ill on Tuesday afternoon, after eating some rat poison they had found in a dustbin near their home. They were sent home after treatment at the Rambam Hospital.

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600 IMMIGRANTS from North Africa arrived at Haifa in the s.s. Artsa yesterday afternoon. As the ship had been delayed for several hours by a storm, it was too late to disembark the newcomers. They will disembark this morning and go to agricultural settlements and development areas.

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CHARGED with having committed 15 housebreakings and robberies in Jerusalem this month while stationed in a reserve army camp near the city, Shmuel Shalom, of Jaffa, was yesterday ordered to be remanded for 10 days by Jerusalem Magistrate Y. Weiner.

YITZHAK MANN DIES AGED 66

Dr. Yitzhak Mann, author, editor and veteran worker of the Jewish National Fund, died in his home in Jerusalem yesterday morning at the age of 66.

Born in Przemysl, Galicia, Yitzhak Mann studied physics, mathematics and philosophy and in 1920 received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. He began work at the J.N.F. Head Office in 1929, two years after settling in this country. He served until the day of his death as chief editor of all J.N.F. literary publications. In 1948, he was awarded the Tchernichovsky Prize for his translation of Karl Marx's "Das Capital." Dr. Mann leaves a wife and son.

Haifa Man Murders Wife, Jumps Six Storeys to Death

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Wednesday. — Moshe Gines, 67, jumped to his death from a sixth floor window of the Solel Boneh Building at about 8.45 this morning, three hours after having murdered his wife, Sara, 62, by smashing her head with a wooden stool.

The couple was childless and had only distant relatives in the country.

Police were called to the Solel Boneh building this morning and found Gines lying dead outside. He carried an identity card. The constables immediately went to his home at 6 Rehov Emek Hamtzim, but found the flat locked.

They found one neighbour who had heard a scream of "gevalt" coming from the flat just after 8.30. Hearing nothing more she had paid no attention to it.

On the strength of this information the policemen broke into the flat. They found Mrs Gines, dressed in a night gown and wrapped in a sheet, lying dead on the floor.

Next to her they found a broken stool, which her husband had apparently used to kill her.

From a reconstruction of the tragedy it was found that after committing the murder, Gines had washed the blood off himself in the bathroom, changed his clothes and had gone out. His blood-stained clothes were found in the flat. A total of IL300 in cash was found in a cupboard.

No letters or notes pertaining to the crime were found. A post mortem of the two bodies will be made at the Rambam Hospital tomorrow. The investigations are for the purpose of the coroner's enquiry only.

The Gines couple had let two of their three rooms. A girl clerk living with them left the flat at 8.30 this morning, shortly before the murder, but had noticed nothing unusual.

Gines came to this country from Poland in 1948. His first wife and two children were killed by the Nazis. In 1947 he married again and the couple moved into the present flat. According to neighbours they had been very quiet and had kept to themselves. Until a short time ago relations between them appeared to be excellent. Gines had been in charge of the Zarkan cooperative store in Ramot Remez until his dismissal six months ago.

The loss of his job had depressed him and he attempted to commit suicide some time ago. Police foiled the attempt and asked friends to look after him.

A short time ago Gines was given work with Mashbir La'Oleh in Sejera, but he had apparently been dissatisfied with this job.

Gines arrived at the Solel Boneh building at about 5.30 and asked the porter for permission to go up to a first floor office. He went straight to the sixth floor, moved a bench he found in the corridor underneath one of the windows, and jumped out.

Israeli Chairman Of Forestry Congress

An Israeli, an Australian, a Frenchman, and an Italian are to serve as chairmen of the four principal sections of the World Eucalyptus Forestry Congress to be held in Italy in October under the joint auspices of the Government of Italy and the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization.

The Israeli is Dr. A. Y. Goor, Chief Conservator of Forests of Israel.

The Congress will deal with all phases of eucalyptus forestry work, including the introduction and treatment of eucalyptus as a factor in combating arid and semi-arid zone problems. In this latter field Dr. Goor is an internationally-established expert.

He has been directing eucalyptus development in Israel for many years, and has served as an F.A.O. expert in India, and in many countries of Latin America.

WEIZMANN INSTITUTE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

The Weizmann Institute Board of Governors is to meet in London in July, with the participation of eminent scientists and many distinguished guests.

Mr. Meyer Weisgal, Chairman of the Executive Council, yesterday denied a report attributed to him that the meeting is to discuss whether the Institute is to concentrate on pure or applied science. He pointed out that it has "long been engaged in both branches of science and there is no intention to depart from this policy."

Mapam Deserts Hadera Coalition

HADERA, Wednesday. — Mapam left the Municipal Council coalition here tonight after the Municipality had approved a IL1,9m. budget for the coming fiscal year. Mayor I. Widerker said that there would be no emergency rate but any income from the slight increase in the general rate would be used for defence purposes.

The Mapam Councillor said that his party was leaving the coalition because of the allocations for religious purposes.

Licences Suspended For Overcharging

Six fishmongers and two butchers in the Tel Aviv area have had their licences suspended for overcharging, the Ministry of Commerce spokesman has announced.

In most cases the overcharging was on carp, for which the official price is IL1.500 a kilo. But there was also overcharging on rationed meat and on fish fillet.

The public is urged to report similar incidents to the district offices of the Food Controller.

IL2.9M. MORE

Currency in circulation rose during the past week by IL3,872,258, to stand at IL210,345,000. The increase was attributed to the large demand for cash over the Passover holiday, the Bank of Israel announced yesterday.

Treasury bills rose by IL720,000 and foreign currency by IL2,152,267. There was no change in gold holdings or in land bills.

Parents Attack Bursary System

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Sharp criticism of the current scholarship system by which school fees paid by parents are used to assist selected other pupils, and a call to the government to exempt secondary school fees from income tax, were heard at the National Conference of Parents Councils of Public Secondary Schools held here today.

Dr. S. Ellenberg, of Tel Aviv, said that many parents would be forced to take their children out of school because of the increased fees. He complained that parents were paying for students who were granted scholarships and reductions.

The Haifa District Attorney, Mr. L. Rabinowitz, said that parents could not agree to pay for scholarships for pupils at the expense of less-talented pupils. He did not object to scholarships, but thought the Ministry of Education should pay for them.

Dr. M. Ziv, Director of the Secondary Education Division of the Education Ministry, thought that the scholarship system ensured that the most talented and deserving pupils would benefit.

The Parents Council conference elected a committee to represent the parents of 12,500 students at 55 public secondary schools. *(Itim)*

RATION NEWS

Frozen Meat: from the last day of Passover, 150 gm. per person, coupon 131, temp. 28. Vegetarians, 2 eggs, coupon 107. Coffee: 60 gm., coupon 143 (Heh, Daled), temp. 12. Chocolate: coupon 129 (Aleph, Bet, Gimel), temp. 14.

The April sugar ration will be 1,200 gm. in place of one kilogram, while an augmented ration of fats, to include 400 gms. of oil, 300 gms. of margarine and 400 gms. of imported butter, will also be distributed.

1,350 Drivers Get Awards for Safety

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Silver cups for safe driving during 1955 were handed over to the Egged bus cooperative and the drivers of Shekem, the Army canteen service, at a ceremony in the Ohel Shem Hall today preceding the award of "Safety Driver of 1955" certificates to 1,350 drivers.

The cups were awarded by Mayor Haim Levanon to the two organizations with the greatest number of safety drivers.

District Court Judge H. S. Lowenberg, chairman of the National Council for the Prevention of Accidents, said that more than 30 people had been killed in road accidents this month, which was one of the blackest on record. "Let us avoid these sacrifices, which are a gift to our enemies," he appealed. The two cups were presented by the Dan bus cooperative and several insurance companies. Among the audience were drivers of all ages and of all kinds of vehicles. Some of the Egged bus drivers had been at the wheel without a break for 22 years. *(Itim)*

Aswan Dam Talks Still Not Concluded

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — The protracted negotiations for financing the giant Aswan high dam construction project in Egypt by the World Bank have not yet been concluded, diplomatic sources said in London today.

They added that Britain had not withdrawn its offer to aid the first construction phase of the dam project with foreign exchange, but this remained dependent on the successful conclusions of Egyptian negotiations with the World Bank.

Speculation that Egypt has received offers of economic aid for the project from the Soviet bloc which has toughened her attitude to the World Bank terms remain unconfirmed.

Meanwhile, officials here refuse to comment on the suggestion that the delay in completing the negotiations is due to a hitch caused by Egypt objecting to the World Bank terms.

Beersheba Dresses To Greet First Train

BEERSHEBA, Wednesday. — The usually drab-beige capital of the Negev was today turned into the country's most colourful city in preparation for tomorrow afternoon's arrival of the diesel self-propelled passenger coaches — officially opening the 84-kilometre Na'an-Beersheba line.

This is the southernmost point reached so far of the line which will eventually be extended to Sdom and Eilat.

Flags were fluttering in the Negev breeze as the finishing touches were put today to the 2,300 seats prepared for the expected guests.

The Prime Minister, the Minister of Transport and the Minister of Interior, among others, will be seated on a flatcar on a siding to watch the ceremonial arrival of the train.

The world congress of Keren Hayesod—United Jewish Appeal, the first world assembly to be held in the town — will be held here on April 19. Delegates from 70 countries, apart from members of the Government, the Jewish Agency Executive and representatives of the border settlements, will arrive from Jerusalem by special train on the new railway. The keynote of the congress will be "Security and the Border Settlements."

Stolen Army Jeep Chased by Police

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — A dramatic early morning police chase after a stolen Army jeep ended in the recovery of the vehicle, but the two thieves escaped.

The loss had been reported at midnight, and four hours later a police patrol caught sight of the missing jeep. They gave chase and fired warning shots but that did not deter the two uniformed young men who had taken the machine from its parking in central Tel Aviv.

Police found the jeep after a further two hours, but there were no traces of the two men. *(Itim)*

Merhavim Police To Be Transferred

BEERSHEBA, Wednesday. — The police station at Merhavim in the Western Negev is to be transferred to the township of Ofakim after Passover. Married constables will be given permanent housing and allotments in the town, which, to their great relief, will end their constant travelling to their families now living in Beersheba.

PRISONERS

(Continued from Page One)

tion to Private Migovsky, are believed to be in Syrian hands. They disappeared across the border under unknown circumstances, and while Damascus disclaims knowledge of them, there is good reason to believe that they are in Syria.

It is understood that the Government will pursue its efforts to clarify the position of these men until satisfaction is received.

While the exchange is being carried out under the auspices of the Truce Supervision Organisation, valuable assistance in the negotiations was given by the International Red Cross through its representative, M. David de Traz, head of the Political Department, who maintained contact both with the prisoners themselves, their families and the officials on both sides dealing with the problem.

It is understood that M. de Traz will continue his work in helping to clarify the position of the Israelis believed still in Syria.

Although five soldiers were captured by the Syrians on December 8, 1954, only four will return. The fifth, Private Uri Ilan, of Gan Shmuel, near Hadera, was found dead in his cell little more than a month after he was taken prisoner.

U.N. Observers found him lying in his cell. They were told by the prison director that the youth had hanged himself.

A note found on his body after it had been turned over to the Israel authorities indicated that he had been told his comrades had been killed and he was awaiting trial.

To negotiations for the exchange were delayed for more than a year because of Syrian demands that certain prisoners allegedly taken during the War of Independence be returned by Israel.

These prisoners included an officer by the name of Kam al-Mas and seven drivers supposedly captured during the 1948-1949 fighting, as well as four or five others. After an intensive investigation in Israel they were found not to exist in this country.

Nevertheless, Syria persisted in ignoring the decision of the Mixed Armistice Commission of January 12, 1955 urging the release of the Israelis in Syria.

Arrangements have been made for members of the returnees' families to greet their men immediately after they touch Israel soil this morning.

Holiday Crowds Defy Showers

Jerusalem Post Staff

Pilgrims crowded the Capital yesterday, the first intermediate day of the Passover holiday, despite the heavy spring rain. Queues of Jerusalem-bound passengers in the central bus station in Tel Aviv were reminiscent of the austerity years, while taxis were scarce, with shekel seats going for IL4, double the usual tariff.

The day also caught a number of forgetful housewives without their evening sour cream and oranges, as shopkeepers adopted their traditional morning-only schedule for the Intermediate days. Business in Jerusalem was slack, with most shoppers, after reading with amazement the holiday price tags, deciding to postpone all but essential purchases till after the festive season.

The Defence Fund set the motif for holiday business in Safad, where IL.328 was collected for the Fund through the "sale" of the grass after the gader at the Hurdiya Hotel. The bidders in the auction were a group of South African tourists.

A motor derby organised by the Israel Automobile Club and Touring Association is to take place on Friday and Saturday: Cars and motorcycles will leave Jerusalem and Tel Aviv at 10 a.m. and Haifa at 10.30 and will travel in the direction of Tiberias. Prizes will be awarded on Friday night in Tiberias to those vehicles which most closely maintain the average speed assigned to the group to which they are classified.

Party for Tourists

A garden party for tourists visiting Jerusalem will be held in the Talbieh Rose Garden at 3 p.m. on Sunday. The Mayor of Jerusalem, Mr. Gershon Agron, will receive the guests. In the event of rain, the reception will be held at the Artists House, near the King David Hotel.

The Greek liner, the s.s. Agamemnon, is due in Haifa on Monday, the last day of Passover, with 60 pilgrims for a one-day stay. Another 220 pilgrims will rejoin the ship then, coming from Jordan through Mandelbaum Gate.

The Ministry for Religious Affairs has objected to the vessel being handled on the feast day, but the Ministry of Transport has given orders that she be serviced.

The 5,000 ton ship called here on Passover two years ago, on a Saturday and also for a one-day stay. She was permitted to tie up then as well, as her agents said that the schedule could not be changed in time for her to arrive on another day.

Tel Aviv Works On Shelter Building

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The construction of public shelters in Tel Aviv-Jaffa and suburbs, begun 10 days ago, is proceeding apace, while existing shelters have already been cleared out in readiness for use. All are carefully marked. Large gaping holes, representing the first phases of construction, greet the eye in a number of strategic points in town.

The budget is only sufficient for shelters where there are large concentrations of people, such as schools, cinemas, main thoroughfares and Municipal institutions, Mr. S. Shoshani, Deputy Mayor, who is responsible for the town's civil defence told *The Jerusalem Post* today.

Mr. Shoshani expressed his confidence that the first hundred or more shelters set as a target for the end of April, would be reached in time. Three building companies have been granted Municipality tenders: "A Habonesh," an association of private builders, and Solel Boneh.

Engineering Advice

Following a concentrated course on shelter construction organised by the Municipality and the Engineers and Architects Association, 120 private engineers will be available for consultation in three offices, two in Tel Aviv and one in Jaffa, for the planning and erection of private and institutions' shelters. The Municipal Engineering Department will give technical advice to all who ask for it. Mr. Moshe Amiaz, the Municipal Engineer, ran the course and is supervising the consultation offices.

All enterprises and public institutions within the Tel Aviv precincts have been asked by Hagu, the Civil Defence Authority, to start building shelters without delay.

Plans for model shelters and other protective covering have been drawn up by the Municipality and distributed to 15 councils and Local Authorities in various parts of the country. Plans for shelters drafted by qualified engineers will have to be authorized by the Municipal Engineering Department. The Municipality will impose no fee on shelter licences.

Youth, 20, Remanded For Molesting Girls

A 20-year-old youth, charged with molesting young girls, was remanded for seven days by Jerusalem Magistrate Y. Weiner yesterday.

TIRES FOR THE FARM

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Wednesday. — Beginning this year, tires for all types of farm machinery, including giant rear wheels of Ferguson and International Harvester tractors, will be made by the Alliance Tire and Rubber Company, its managing director, Mr. Joseph Teicher, announced today.

The company has so far been making only a limited range of tires for farmers, and those in limited quantities. Production will now be expanded to meet all local farm demands and save the Treasury about $200,000 spent on the import of such tires.

Alliance is also preparing to begin production of automotive spare parts, beginning with those made purely from rubber. Equipment is due to arrive shortly for two new departments for the manufacture of fan belts and reinforced radiator hoses under licence from Alliance's technical parent firm, the Dayton Rubber Co., U.S.A., with the right to use the Dayton trade name on the products.

80% for Export

"Four-fifths of our output is for export. We expect these two items to yield an added value of 50 per cent," Mr. Teicher said. Manufacturers abroad usually link the sale of spare parts with that of tires, on which the profit margin is very narrow. "Our customers will no longer have to buy tires of other makes in order to get spare parts. Production of the two new departments will raise our IL.m. turnover of last year by another IL1m.," Mr. Teicher said.

He described 1955 as a test year for the company's tubeless tires whose output is steadily rising. Their chief merit is that they reduce the accident risk and do away with the puncture nuisance. Even when a tubeless tire is seriously punctured, it keeps enough pressure to bring the car to the nearest garage.

Output will increase as more late-model cars are brought into the country, as they do not fit on the regular rims of cars made before 1948. Last year, the rim became standard for all cars in America.

14 DIE IN SWEDISH RAIL ACCIDENT

STOCKHOLM, Wednesday (Reuter). — Fourteen persons were killed when a passenger train and a local goods train collided in northern Sweden today. Ten persons were injured.

$500,000 for Law Faculty Building

More than $500,000 have so far been raised by the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University for the projected building of the Law Faculty on the new Hebrew University campus. This was stated by Mr. Bernard Cherrick, Director of the University's Department of Organization and Information, on his return to Israel from a four-month visit to the U.S. and Canada.

In Canada, Mr. Cherrick led the capital fund drive of the Friends for the Law Faculty building, and also was a guest speaker at the National Convention of Canadian Hadassah (WIZO) in Ottawa.

In the U.S. he had talks with University authorities in connection with the second one-year course for American students at the Hebrew University, which is due to start this summer. He also was one of the Israel delegates on the "Town Hall Mission" which paid goodwill visits to American communities from coast to coast.

AARONSOHN GARDEN

The Hebrew University has decided to name a part of the botanical gardens now being planted on the new University campus after the late Aaron Aaronsohn, one of the earliest agricultural scientists in this country, on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of his discovery of wild wheat in Palestine, which falls in June this year.

The garden will cover an area of 10 dunams and will contain various local plants arranged according to their families.

Six Busy New York Youngsters See Israel 'From the Inside'

By MALKA RABINOWITZ

Six bright-faced teen-agers have vacated their school desks in New York City high schools for three weeks to come and see Israel in action.

They come from a melting pot that is a match for the one they will find in Israel. Blonde Mary Crossenoyer, 17, of Bayside High School, is of a German-Irish family that has been in the U.S. since before the American Revolution. The family of 16-year-old David Henderson, a student at the High School of Fashion Industries, has lived in the U.S. for almost the same amount of time.

Latvian-born Skardite "Scotty" Malliks, 18, of Theodore Roosevelt High School, came to New York only five years ago after having lived in Sweden for six years. Julio Sanchez, 18, who attends Hanren High School in Upper Manhattan, left Puerto Rico in 1948. Both Felice Samuel, 17, of Bryant High School and Robert Sugarman, 18, of James Monroe High School, are native-born Americans, of East European descent. Mary and Julio are Catholics, David and "Scotty" are Protestants and Robert and Felice are Jewish.

Students' Choice

All of them were chosen to come on this workshop — the first of its kind — by the General Organization Council, a city-wide student body in New York. The workshop was the idea of the Ministry of Education which coordinated with the New York City Board of Education to bring the youngsters here.

Wherever they go, the American visitors will see Israel from the inside—local families with teen-age children will play host to them in all the major cities.

Since they arrived on Monday, the group has plunged into a crowded schedule with an energy compounded of curiosity and enthusiasm. Asked in Jerusalem yesterday about their initial impressions, they mentioned the "wonderful hospitality" and "beautiful scenery" but ruefully wished they would not be given so much to eat.

It is probable that the group will need all the strength it can muster to get through a crowded schedule. They have already met students at the Rehavia Secondary School, had tea at the home of Dr. M. Avidor, the Director-General of the Ministry of Education and Culture, met Jerusalem Mayor G. Agron and attended a musical evening at the home of composer Marc Lavry.

Within the next two and-a-half weeks they will, among other things, attend church services in Nazareth, meet the Druze of Isfiya village; tour Jerusalem corridor settlements and meet the Interfaith Scouts group in Haifa; visit the Mount of Beatitudes and talk with Foreign Minister M. Sharett; Labour Minister G. Myerson; Sheikh Tabari, the Chief Moslem Judge in Israel; Beersheba Mayor M. Tuvyahu, and Bedouin chief Sheikh Suleiman; tour the country's schools of higher learning and some of its vocational schools, attend a concert of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra and witness Independence Day celebrations.

Each of the visitors, including Felice and Robert who are affiliated with Jewish groups in New York, admitted to a very hazy picture of Israel before they got here. They said they were not frightened by war scare headlines and that their parents, in spite of mild objections, would have "wanted to come themselves."

Lively Chaperone

Chaperoning the group is lively Mildred O'Keefe, a social sciences teacher at the Mabel Dean Vocational High School in Manhattan. She said proudly that her charges "asked hosts of questions everywhere — many of them to the point" and that she herself was learning a great deal even though for the past few months she had read "everything I could get my hands on about Israel."

Other adults with the group are Mrs. Celia Sands, the only woman member of the New York Board of Education and Dr. Irving Sands. On the local end, Mr. Dan Kraskoph has taken time off from his duties in the Jerusalem PATWA office to squire the group around.

The group returns to New York on April 18 armed with a colour film record of its trip here and impressions which will form the core of reports for students, back home.

IL3.500 Cigarette Pay for Soldiers

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Wednesday.—The pay of soldiers is to be raised by IL3.500 a month as from April 1 to cover the cancellation of the excise exemption on their monthly cigarette allocation. Shekem will in future buy cigarettes with an excise band at the free market price. It will, however, grant soldiers a 10 pruta reduction on oriental brands and a 15-pruta reduction on Virginia cigarettes.

The pay raise will cover the price increase of cigarettes, which at the moment cost 100 pruta for 20, soldiers receiving a monthly allocation of 20 packets.

Jerusalem Display Of Worked Olive Wood

An exhibition of furniture and handicrafts made from olive wood was opened yesterday by the Mayor of Jerusalem, Mr. Gershon Agron, at the Mendel Cohen workshops in the Tel Arsa quarter. The exhibition will remain open during the Passover holidays.

Among the displays was the new door, made of solid olive wood, ordered by the city for the Municipality offices in Jaffa Road.

The Mayor, recalling that the door which is being replaced was of heavy steel to ward off attacks during the time of the Mandate, said that the handsome olive wood portal showed that the present authorities no longer feared the citizens.

Hostel for Students

A hostel for 35 Hebrew University students has been set up in "Beit Hannah" in Abyssinian Street, the property of the B'nai B'rith in Jerusalem. It was made available for the purpose through the good offices of Mr. A. Rand, Mrs. R. Rivlin and Mrs. Reubeni.

The hostel contains a number of rooms for two or three students each, as well as reception and recreation rooms. Part of the furniture was supplied by the University. The monthly rent per student is IL9.

Tale of a Car Enacted in Court

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The director of the first Israel comedy film, "Tale of a Taxi," Mr. Larry Frisch, appeared in Court today in a tale of a car and a motorcycle.

While driving at the beginning of the month, he was involved in a collision with a motorcycle. The rider who was injured bears the same surname — Stern — as one of the heroes of the comedy film.

Mr. Frisch pleaded not guilty to police charges of dangerous driving, and the hearing has been postponed until next month.

2,000 RESTAURANT and hotel employees in the Tel Aviv area yesterday decided unanimously to join the Mivtahim pension scheme of the Histadrut.

Cables in Brief

TRADE.—China has already signed trade agreements with Egypt, Syria and the Lebanon, and there are "bright prospects for her trade with these and other Arab countries, a Chinese foreign trade chief said today, according to Peking Radio.

OLD. — An Azerbaijan shepherd, Mahmud Eyvazov, has been awarded the Order of the Red Banner of Labour on his 168th birthday, TASS reported yesterday. Eyvazov who lives in a village 6,000 feet above sea level, has 23 children, one of whom is an 125-year-old daughter.

TAX. — Income tax will be raised by 10 per cent and motorists will pay an average of 8.800 francs per year under new tax proposals to increase old age and other pensions, the French Finance Minister, M. Paul Ramadier, said last night. He was speaking after a meeting of ministers had approved his tax proposals in principle.

LETHAL FOG. — About 1,000 people in Greater London (population 8,290,000) died as a result of a 3-day fog in January, a leading medical statistician reported in the "British Medical Journal" yesterday.

DAM. — The United Austrian Steel Works has secured the contract for the supply of all the steel work in connection with the building of the biggest dam in Iraq. The project is near the Persian frontier and is designed to irrigate large areas of Kurdistan, and also produce electric power.

FRENCH UNIONS SUPPORT ISRAEL

M. Raymond Le Bourre, the general secretary of the Confederation of Socialist Trade Unions, which includes the Force Ouvriere and the C.G.T., which is affiliated to the Second International, paid a formal visit to the Israel Ambassador to France, Mr. Ya'acov Tsur, and officially conveyed to him the union's sympathy and support for Israel and its solidarity with the position she has taken up in her present political struggle.

Greeks Deny Report

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Greek Government has never suggested withdrawing its *de facto* recognition of Israel in order to gain Arab support in the Cyprus issue, it is understood.

Reports that the Greek Government was thinking of doing this appeared in the Press recently. However, all Greek newspapers have published a flat denial of this, quoting a "well-informed" source which is believed to be the Greek Foreign Ministry.

France 3, Austria 1

PARIS, Wednesday (Reuter). — France defeated Austria, 3-1, after leading 2-0 at half-time in a soccer international at the Colombes stadium here on Sunday. Lebiond (Rheims) scored the first goal from the edge of the penalty area after 20 minutes, and Vincent added a second, 15 minutes later. A breakaway two minutes after half time by Hanappi, brought Austria's sole goal. Two minutes later, Austrian goalkeeper Schmeid saved a penalty. Pianton scored France's last goal in the 68th minute.

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Point 4 Tourist Report Dwells on Accommodation

By JESSE EZEL LURIE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK. — TWO large American firms were hired by the Government of Israel and the International Cooperation Administration of the United States for a Point Four survey of Israel tourism. They are Creagp, McCormick and Paget, which is among the top four or five organizations in this country in the field of management consultants, and whose clients read like a roster of big business, and Harris, Kerr, Foster and Company, a large accountancy firm with offices in seven cities, which specializes in hotel and restaurant management.

In addition to the hotel experts from the latter company, Mr. Harold B. Callis, former Senior Vice-President of the Statler and Hilton Hotels, was coopted to the team of seven experts who visited Israel for four weeks in the fall of 1955.

The survey team had the advantage of one of the first fact-finding investigations authorised by the Israel Tourist Corporation, that of the financial results of Israel hotels by the accounting firm of Braude and Company. In addition, the survey team, in cooperation with Braude and Company, compiled its own statistics on room occupancy, since Israel hotels customarily keep records only of bed occupancy. American hotels record room occupancy and the American experts wanted comparable statistics. The Israel Hotel Association, however, furnished valuable statistics on the seasonal flow of visitors, countries of origin of hotel patrons in the various classes of establishments and other matters.

Most Detailed

With all these data and this expert knowledge, it is not surprising that the section on hotels and restaurants is the most detailed and competent in this 438-page report. Had this survey been made four or five years ago, it might have saved Israel hotel investors and the Israel government, which has provided substantial loans to this industry, considerable sums invested where hotels were not needed, while other areas were neglected.

The report recommends that the Tourist Corporation prepare a master plan for the expansion of hotel facilities to accommodate the 100,000 visitors expected by 1960. The Corporation should engage two Israel architects as official consultants on hotel construction and design so that modern accommodations could by erected at a capital outlay of no more than IL15,000 a room. Detailed tables on required gross income per guest day show that when the capital outlay is more than the above figure, the hotel will operate at a loss with 75 per cent occupancy (a very high average occupancy) even at the present top rate of IL 23.750 for full room and board in high season—a rate charged, I believe, by only one or two hotels. Where land costs are not high, the one-story, motel-type units are much cheaper and just as satisfactory as the multi-story hotel. Ashkelon's Dagon Hotel, in this category, is said to have been built for about IL21,000 a room.

Tel Aviv, says the report, which now provides 40 per cent of the country's hotel accommodations and does 57 per cent of the non-resident business, needs more hotel space. The Kastel Hotel should be retained in Class B and efforts should be made to obtain a second Class A hotel, in addition to the Dan, within the city, although the report notes that there are four other first-class hotels in the Tel Aviv area including Herzlia. Steps should be taken, therefore, for the completion of the Nordau Plaza, preferably under the management of an international hotel chain.

Bringing in an international hotel group, the report states, lifts the standard of locally-managed establishments and benefits the country through the flow of business in the affiliated group of hotels. (The Hilton of Istanbul, for instance, is advertised in the lobby of the Waldorf-Astoria and the many other Hilton hotels throughout the world.)

Jerusalem does not need any more hotels. There is an implied criticism in the Jerusalem section of the wasteful expenditure of capital funds resulting in an oversupply of Class A space. The report recommends that the Kings Hotel, when completed, be operated as a Class B establishment.

In Haifa, the report says that "if the Meggido Hotel is not brought back into operation as a Class A hotel, there will be a definite need for a new hotel of at least 100 rooms." More Class B hotels will also be needed in the next few years, for which there are "attractive locations available in the Mt. Carmel area or in the beach areas to the north."

Nazareth needs more hotel space, there being only one small Grade C hotel now. "As a first step, it is suggested that very strong efforts be made to release the facilities in the hospices in Nazareth which are now being used by the Government for the temporary housing of refugees." Safed needs about two dozen more rooms of the cottage type, which "might be operated only during the visitor season from March through October."

Room in Tiberias

More hotel space is needed as part of the overall development of Tiberias, including an addition to the Galei Kinneret. It is cheaper to build additions than to start afresh and the Dagon Hotel in Ashkelon should add more units as tourist volume increases in this area.

There are at present no listed hotel facilities in Beersheba, where HIAS House, takes care of some visitors or at Sdom and the Dead Sea. If the Dead Sea is developed as a national park, overnight accommodations will be needed. A start could be made, the report suggests, with a score of air-conditioned units. A de luxe type of resort hotel in this area, which has been under discussion, is a bit premature at present, when there is as yet no development in the Dead Sea area, the report says. As for the hotel now under construction in Eilat, the survey team felt that improvements should be made in the interior structure before it is completed, and recommended that a competent architect and hotel operator study this project "with a view to recommending any changes which are still possible at reasonable cost."

The survey team also made numerous and detailed recommendations aimed at lifting the standards of operation of hotels and restaurants. The Hadassah Hotel school should be expanded and coordinated with the small training school in Haifa now supplying stewards and waiters to Zim ships. The Tourist Corporation might send selected individuals abroad for practical instruction while several foreign technicians might be brought in for on-the-job training.

The report further recommends that the Corporation add the subdivision Class A de luxe to the Class A listings; that it issue a list of the accommodations available in hostels, kibbutzim and hospices; that it develop minimum standards for approved restaurants and publish a list of same; that it maintain standards of hotels and restaurants by regular inspections; that it investigate all complaints by tourists or travel agents; that it maintain stable prices; that it strengthen the industry by forming a small advisory committee of representatives of the two trade associations in the hotel and restaurant fields and the Youth Hostels Association; and that it use its influence in the government to help the industry by relieving it of burdensome taxes and duties. One of the first things the industry could do is adopt a uniform system of keeping accounts and records.

Service Poor

Service in Israel hotels and restaurants is less than adequate. The members of the survey team found it difficult to get ice water served except by special request. While it may be that only Americans are accustomed to ice water, Americans make up a large part of the tourist business. Americans, too, would prefer lighter meals at midday, and if these were provided there might be more profit to the establishment. Class B and C hotels could make judicious use of paint, draperies, flowers and more attractive furniture arrangements in their dining rooms.

The menus were, on the whole, monotonous and the food badly prepared. The non-Jewish visitor has a "natural tendency to assume" that this is the result of *kasher* cuisine. The Tourist Corporation should arrange, the report believes, for a foreign technician to improve methods of food preparation and hygienic standards.

The American experts also found that a few minor improvements in hotel furnishings would make a world of difference. Such little things as adequate light for reading in bed or for shaving in the bathroom, or a supply of writing paper and soap in the rooms and, above all, shower curtains. Using bath towels to mop up after a shower is inexplicable.

This is the third of a series of articles. The first two appeared on March 26 and 28.

South Africa Flouts U.N.

By COLIN LEGUM

LONDON (OFNS). — ONCE again, a question relating to South-West Africa is being considered by the International Court at The Hague, which has in the past given extensive consideration to the dispute between the United Nations and South Africa over the former mandated territory of South-West Africa.

After World War II, South Africa was the only country that refused to transfer its mandated territory to the new Trusteeship Council for supervision. Annually for nine consecutive years the United Nations has solemnly passed a resolution calling on South Africa to fulfil its international obligations. With rather less solemnity, South Africa has each year told the United Nations to mind its own business.

Nursing its injured dignity, the United Nations a few years ago set up a special committee on South-West Africa to try to create the necessary goodwill to persuade South Africa to adopt a more cooperative attitude. But this decision has only created greater ill-will.

Last year, a rather innocent young Herero tribesman walked into the United Nations Headquarters in New York and asked that he might report to the committee on the conditions in his homeland. Since South Africa has persistently refused to allow the Herero and other African leaders to leave their country, while at the same time refusing to allow any United Nations emissary to visit South-West Africa, it might have been assumed that the committee would gladly listen to the young petitioner, even though his credentials were not impressive.

But the committee's legal mind (mainly the representatives of other Mandatory Powers) spun a web of procedural thread so thick that in the end the only possible escape for the committee was to appeal for the help of the International Court.

Could it say whether young Africans, like this particular Herero boy, may give oral evidence before a United Nations committee? Anybody can submit written evidence. Experts or authorized spokesmen can give oral evidence. It was in the latter category that the United Nations fourth committee has often listened to the Rev. Michael Scott, who has championed the cause of the Africans of South-West Africa for nine years. He is attending the Court's session.

But nobody is sure whether it is legal for an ordinary person with no particular qualifications to be heard, even though the committee would like to hear what he has to say.

It is to settle this important principle that the International Court has been summoned to meet.

90 Sessions Too Many

YESTERDAY'S PRESS

THE present Security Council session, writes "Lamerhav" (Abdut Ha'avoda) is no different from the 90 that preceded it. The reason given for summoning it, "to consider the matter of honouring the Armistice agreements," would not be there had the Council addressed itself to that problem in its 90 preceding sessions; the chances are that its present deliberations would be superfluous.

"Hatzofe" (World Mizrahi) writes that there are signs that there is a feeling of satisfaction behind the scenes in the Arab world at the American move to summon the Council, though on the face of it the Arabs have been urging a delay. The deliberations will give them more time to complete their preparations while the despatch of the Secretary-General and the delaying of a clear-cut decision mean new political dangers for the State of Israel.

"Herut" wonders why, in light of the fact that Mr. Johnston is not coming shortly, as the Prime Minister had supposed, and that the Arabs (Jordan) have now rejected the Johnston water plan without reservation, the order is not given to go ahead with the diversion of the Jordan. Is the Government waiting until it will be too late? In this the paper is supported by "Hapoel Hatzair" (Mapai).

In a second leader, "Herut" writes that Israel's public relations machine should lose no time in getting into stride with the mooted candidacy of Harry Truman, who has proved a staunch friend of Israel, for the U.S. presidency.

"Kol Ha'am" (Communist) calls the workers to get together at once and frustrate the Manufacturers Association's refusal to negotiate wages with the Trade Unions as well as the Mapai decision to claim one-third less than has been laid down by the unions. It reminds the workers that they have great potential strength and hints that strikes yield results.

Filipino Guest Fosters Friendship'

Israel-Philippine Bonds strengthened by Mr. Tavanlar (left) and Mr. Ted R. Lurie, Editor of The Jerusalem Post, shown in the right-hand picture meeting H.E. Ramon Magsaysay, President of the Philippines, at the Malacanang Palace this month. Facing camera is Mr. Ernest E. Simke, Consul-General of Israel.

By ZVI HALMER

IT is difficult not to be friendly with Mr. Eligio J. Tavanlar of the Philippines. After the first handshake, one feels a sense of belonging to a select circle of intimate friends and conversation is pleasant and sincere. Mr. Tavanlar is the Land Settlement Consultant of the World Veterans Federation and is visiting Israel to study how new immigrant townsfolk become farmers. He is the guest here of the Israel Association of Jewish War Veterans.

Tavi, which one calls him after a very short time, is visiting the Middle East for the first time and although he knows many of Israel's leading ex-servicemen, does not pretend to have any knowledge of the politics of the area. He does not want it to be thought that he takes sides in the Israel-Arab conflict, where he is "strictly neutral" but asks questions at every opportunity, trying to get to the bottom of the enmity between the nations.

In his own country, Mr. Tavanlar is no stranger to politics, being one of the small group of persons who were behind the campaign which elected President Magsaysay of the Philippines. He is a personal friend of the President and an independent-minded but staunch patriot.

It takes quite some time to get used to the fact that this youthful looking man will reach his 50th birthday in December and that in 1952 he began a three-year course at West Point, the U.S. Military Academy. He interrupted his military career to study engineering at Yale University and gained a degree in agronomy. During the Japanese occupation of his country, the small, inoffensive looking farm expert went underground and fought with the guerrilla forces until the liberation of the islands.

The need to rehabilitate the many Filipinos who had suffered in the war, led to land reform plans by the rising progressive forces in the Philippines, so that more families would become farmers and develop the many thousands of unused fertile acres with which the islands are blessed. A "Town to Country" movement was inaugurated and Mr. Tavanlar was chosen to direct it.

Speedy Settlement

One of the things which amazes him about this country is the speed at which newcomers are settled in farming communities.

"We do not have to bring the people from outside the country and our land is not desert, yet we settle only between 6,000 and 8,000 a year," he said. "During all my visits to Burma, Thailand, India, Ceylon, Indonesia and Malaya, I have seen nothing like the tremendous job you are doing here."

Mr. Tavanlar suggested that Israel should be able to help the Philippines in the way that it had begun to assist Burma, "because all our problems are similar and you have gained considerable experience in land settlement." He hopes that he will be able to make some suggestions during his stay here which may enable Israel experts to learn from his wide experience in other Asian countries.

A family man with four children, the visitor is anxious to learn something of the social side of Israel cooperative villages, although he does not expect that they can be copied in his country. He is touring the new development areas as well as established settlements and spent the *Seder* night at Ramat Yohanan.

Like most of the world's ex-servicemen, "Tavi" hates war. "That is why settling people on the land is so important," he explained. "By giving people the chance to earn their living on their own land you bring peace to the individual and that is the way that peace can be promoted in countries and between countries." It was with that idea in mind that he helped President Magsaysay, then Defence Minister, to defeat the threat of Communism in his country. An announcement was made that any of the 120,000 Communist guerrillas who were not guilty of murder, would be given a farm and a house if they surrendered, and the Government would help them to settle successfully.

"We removed the economic and social insecurity which was the source of the discontent and thereby removed the discontent itself," says "Tavi" with a smile, as if the whole operation had been as easy as the telling of it.

Mr. Tavanlar will make many friends during his short stay here and will do much to bring the two peoples closer. He already has in mind the themes of two articles about Israel which he is going to write for the "Philippines Free Press Weekly."

Alkosh Celebrates Tobacco Festival

By YESHAYAHU ASHNI

The village of Alkosh
Is already well-known
Famous and renowned
For its tobacco,

Its aroma is pleasant
Its savour is sweet
Its colour is light
And it breathes the charm
of Galilee

THESE were the plain and unpolished but proud verses that the little girl with the tobacco crown on her head recited when she presented the Minister of Finance with a pack of tobacco leaves at the ceremony that marked the fourth anniversary of the settling of the village of Alkosh in Western Galilee this month.

There were quite a few other speeches, but the procession of children with garlands of tobacco leaves on their heads, dressed in robes embroidered in tobacco leaves, told the story of Alkosh much better. The people of the village have harvested 40 tons this season, for an income of IL85,000 from this crop alone.

A colourful Alei Tabak Company poster displays the photographs of three villagers, each with a short legend:

Reuben Shmuel, of Alkosh, grew four dunams of tobacco and obtained an average yield of 121 kgs. to the dunam. The total harvest was 455 kgs.; the farm's net income IL1,064.

Shlomo Levy, of Alkosh. He grew three-and-a-half dunams of tobacco, obtained 126 kgs. of good tobacco per dunam. Total harvest 642 kgs., which brought in IL1,600.950.

Hassan Salem Yehia of Mochav Amka grew two dunams of tobacco and achieved a yield of 145 kgs. Each dunam brought in IL360.400. IL338.800 from just two dunams!

This is the answer of the country of Alkosh, from which the prophet Nahum sprang, to the efforts of Israel's new citizens, immigrants from Kurdistan who came here only four and five years ago.

The manager of the Alei Tabak company and the director of the Jewish Agency's Safad District office both stressed that it had been the Minister of Finance who had convinced the area's residents that it was worthwhile to grow tobacco there, and then made sure that the necessary aid was extended to them. In his answer, Mr. Rabbai said:

"I should have liked to invite to this ceremony the representatives of the great Powers and of the United Nations, so that they might find out for themselves what Israel is doing... Many nations in the world have a great deal to learn from the settlers of Alkosh. If we could have invited the Arab rulers here... perhaps they would stop polishing up their swords and learn from us how to develop their neglected resources for the good of their peoples."

There was one participant who did not speak, but whom no one had forgotten — Yitzhak Hechman, aged 56, the district tobacco growing instructor, the man to whom goes most of the credit for the success of tobacco growing in Alkosh.

"I was born in tobacco," he told me later. It was his life's work in Russia, where he was born, and it took him to the Kirghiz Republic, where he devoted five years to it before he came to this country. Now he advises the farmers of ten Galilee villages on how to grow their tobacco: those who follow his suggestions have achieved excellent results.

Only Three Seasons

Modern tobacco growing in this area dates back to 1952, the year Yitzhak came to it. He found primitive cultivation methods that yielded just a little over one ton of tobacco for the entire district. The 1955 crop was 55 tons.

"At Safsufa," he says, "this year's crop was excellent. The villagers haven't been here long, but they follow instructions. The people of Tarshiha have been here longer than the farmers of Alkosh, but they followed the obsolete methods of their Arab neighbours, so their crop was worse."

He talks about tobacco with the enthusiasm of a *Hassid* about his own particular *Rebbe*, points out that results could improve even more, especially in this part of Galilee, whose light red soil and climate are ideal.

At present, the tobacco is dried in the open air, Yitzhak points out, and since it absorbs at night some of the moisture which it has lost in the sun during the day, the process takes longer and affects its colour and its aroma. The drying period could be reduced to 20 days with the proper sheds, which would pay for themselves quickly.

All Ages Work

One of the advantages of tobacco, Yitzhak adds enthusiastically, is its utilisation of manpower. Children as well as elderly persons can be profitably employed in planting and picking.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, Nissim Eliahu, the Chairman of the Alkosh Council, handed the Minister of Finance a cheque for IL 1,180 for the Defence Fund. He told of Alkosh's other achievements — over 700 dunams of orchards and vineyards have already been planted. Now, he stressed, the village should be given the additional help it is entitled to—faster land clearing, inclusion on the mobile post office route, a regional council, and electricity.

The electricity has now been promised. It seems that 30 families have already been able to buy themselves radio sets — but they are on batteries.

Readers' Letters

DANCE MUSIC

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — One of the brighter spots of recent radio has been the Air Force band under Erich Teich; a sparkling little outfit which supplied the only "live" dance music worth listening to, which was doled out in meagre enough rations. Why then must this single precious half hour every week or two be cluttered up with "guest artists," vocal trios (oh dear!) and the like?

After the riotous reception accorded to Lionel Hampton and the resounding success of both Tony Crombie and Benny Bennett, very little doubt can remain in anyone's mind as to the demand for dance music in this country. May I ask that Kol Yisrael reconsider its attitude towards good dance music, considering that otherwise it may find its listeners tuning in more and more to foreign stations?

Yours, etc.,
B. KRISS

Jerusalem, February.

Kol Yisrael Replies

Your correspondent's complaints refer to programmes broadcast by Galei Zahal. Nevertheless, we should like to use this opportunity to list a few of Kol Yisrael's programmes of dance music, which are broadcast regularly: Monday at 13 p.m. (recorded requests); Tuesday at 11.30 p.m. gramophone records; and Saturday 10.30 p.m. (gramophone records). In addition, live dance music is provided by a quartet in our weekly programme, "Owis and Grine."

By the way, Kol Yisrael cancelled quite a few music programmes in order to relay performances by Lionel Hampton, Tony Crombie and Benny Bennett.

Yours, etc.
EHABTAI PETRUSHKA
Assistant Director of Music
Kol Yisrael
Jerusalem, March 5.

KEREN MAGEN

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The publication of a "black list" of those who have allegedly avoided contributing to the Defence Fund has shocked people of common sense and of some taste for fairness and decorum.... At the beginning of the campaign, the response to the emergency call was spontaneous and no protest was raised even where salaries and wages were taxed in spite of the terrific burden of taxation. The methods applied by the compilers of the "black list" are totalitarian methods and they will certainly not raise, but rather lower, the morale of potential contributors to the Fund.

Yours, etc.,
RICHARD LAUFER

Tel Aviv, March 16.

(Other Readers' Letters in a similar vein have been received by The Jerusalem Post — Ed.)

PEN FRIENDS

THE PAN ASIA MASTERBAB ASSOCIATION, P.O.B. 1822, Tokyo C., Japan, is an association of about 600 young men and women who are interested in collecting mastheads (the name of the paper on Page 1) of newspapers of various parts of the world. They seek persons interested in a mutual exchange of mastheads.

RENSO VAN BERGEN, 18, of 5th Huisserweg, Bussum, Holland, wishes to correspond with a boy or girl from Israel. He works in an office and is particularly interested in arts and some sports.

At the Cinema

DIRECTOR Elia Kazan has made an unusually interesting film out of certain episodes in Steinbeck's well-known novel, "East of Eden" (Orion, T.A.). He has concentrated on that part of the story which deals with the young sons, Caleb and Aron, and their relationship with their father, Adam Trask, and with Abra, the girl who is engaged to Aron but loves Caleb. Kate, the evil figure who dominates the novel, appears only briefly but in a telling manner.

The picture is notable for the remarkable acting of James Dean as Caleb. His recent death is a great loss to the film world. He makes a three-dimensional figure out of Caleb, wild, resentful and suffering under the lack of a father's love, a performance that remains with the spectator long after he has left the cinema. Julie Harris, despite lack of looks, is convincing as Abra and gives a sensitive performance. A thoughtful picture, well worth seeing.

S.W.

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